

# THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

## LUKE CHAPTER 21:5-38

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

### **WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE REAL JESUS CHRIST – PART 2**

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,  
THE SON OF GOD, SON OF MAN, SAVIOR OF ALL MANKIND*

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**Let's See If You Have a Watch** on Your Wrist Right Now.

Can you hold your arm up high – show me your watch.

#### **The Amazing Thing Is...**

If you take a look at your watch or calendar right now, you'll see the secondhand counting, you'll see the minute hand counting and you'll see the day counting down, the week, the month, the year - - all of them counting down toward a specific point of time.

#### **Throughout The Scriptures**

The Bible speaks about "time" counting down to a predetermined moment. The eventual predetermined moment is the termination of time itself and the advent of eternity.

**There is a Terminus to Physical Time.**

**1 Corinthians 15:24**

**Then comes the end**, when Jesus Christ delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.

#### **Matthew 24, - Mark 13 and here in - Luke 21**

All point to a "predetermined moment." that Jesus speaks about here - known as the "Olivet Discourse" or "Last Days Events" that lead up to His Second Coming (*not only to earth*) but to the middle east, (*not only the middle east*) but to Israel, (*not only Israel*) but to Jerusalem, (*not only Jerusalem*) but to the Mount of Olives, (*not only to the mount of olives*) but to the Temple Mount. - - (*by the way, 96% of the book of Revelation deals with this time to come*)

# THE OLIVET DISCOURSE IS A

“Broad-Brush painting / a Mural / a Time-Line”

of events that would begin with the “Destruction of the Temple in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century and ending with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ.

## Jesus Christ Unveils “The Olivet Discourse” In 4 “Distinct Segments” of Revelation.

**Segment 1 is in verses 5 thru 9 // Segment 2 is in verses 10 thru 19**  
**Segment 3 is in verses 20 thru 28 // Segment 4 is in verses 29 thru 38**

### **Last Time We Learned in Verses 5-9...**

that the “Count-Down-Timer” would start with the Temple...

#### **Luke 21:5-9**

Then, **as some spoke** of the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and donations, He said, :6 “These things which you see - the days will come in which not *one* stone shall be left upon another that shall not be thrown down.” :7 So **they** asked Him, saying, “Teacher, but **when** will these things be? And **what** sign will there be **when** these things are about to take place?” :8 And He said: “Take heed that you not be **deceived**. For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am *He*,’ and, ‘The time has drawn near.’ Therefore do not go after them. :9 But when you hear of wars and commotions, do not be terrified; for these things must come to pass first, but the end *will not come* immediately.”

1.) He expects you to know what time it is v.5-9

1a.) It’s time to know your history v.5-6

1b.) It’s time to know that you’re ready v. 7-8

1c.) It’s time to know your future v.8-9

### **O.K. - Taking a Close Look at Our Watches,**

We See the Hands moving toward the next set of indicators...

:10 Then He said to them, “**Nation** will rise against nation, and **kingdom** against kingdom. :11 And there will be **great earthquakes** in various places, and **famines** and **pestilences**; and there will be **fearful sights** and **great signs** from heaven. :12 But

before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and **persecute you, delivering you** up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake. **:13** But it will turn out for you as **an occasion for testimony**. **:14** Therefore settle *it* in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; **:15** for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist. **:16** You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put *some* of you to death. **:17** And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. **:18** But not a hair of your head shall be lost. **:19** By your patience - possess your souls.

## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE REAL JESUS CHRIST

### 2.) He expects you to discern the signs v.10-19

**(to “discern” the signs) means that we be alert...**

We're to be a **discerning people**. The word means to “separate by eye” it means “to distinguish, to segregate or to divide or to profile.”

#### **Ecclesiastes 8:5**

“...a wise man's heart **discerns** both time and judgment,”

#### **Luke 12:54-56**

Then He also said to the multitudes, “Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, ‘A shower is coming’; and so it is. **:55** And when you see the south wind blow, you say, ‘There will be hot weather’; and there is. **:56** Hypocrites! You can **discern** the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it you do not discern this time?”

## HE EXPECTS YOU TO DISCERN WHAT YOU SEE

### 2a.) That you would have a Christ centered worldview v.10-11

**:10** Then He said to them, “**Nation** will rise against **Nation**, and **kingdom** against **kingdom**. **:11** And there will be **great earthquakes** in various places, and **famines** and **pestilences**; and there will be **fearful sights** and **great signs** from *(the)* heaven*(lies)*.”

Contrary to the **new age** view / contrary to a **humanist** view / contrary to a **secular** view - - There is the Christ Centered Worldview.

## **Example of a Christ-Centered Worldview**

### **2 Corinthians 10:3-5**

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. :4 For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, :5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

## **Example of a Christ-Centered Worldview**

### **Philippians 4:8**

Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things *are* noble, whatever things *are* just, whatever things *are* pure, whatever things *are* lovely, whatever things *are* of good report, if *there is* any virtue and if *there is* anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.

## **It means that you now have a Biblically based worldview**

That's what makes a correct, accurate and reliable view of the world around you because it is a **God-Centric Worldview**. - - you see things filtered through the Word of God.

## **Your Opinions and Thoughts and Decisions**

are no longer the Final Answer. Rather, they are held up against the Bible.

## **So Then - With Those Glasses On, Let's Read....**

:10 Then He said to them, "**Nation** will rise against **Nation**,  
(*a human heart issue*)

**ἐθνος** **ethnos**, *eth'-nos; a racial group. a tribe.*

*Those of the same or related ethnic group. – racism. the gathering of a race of people at the exclusion of another.*

:10 and **kingdom** against **kingdom**.  
(*a human heart issue*)

**basilei+a basileia**, *bas-il-i'-ah; from 935; properly, royalty, i.e. (abstractly) rule, or (concretely) a realm (literally or figuratively): — kingdom, + reign.*

:11 And there will be **great earthquakes** in various places,  
(*natural issues*)

**me+gaß megas**, great, or super + **seismo/ß seismos**, *sice-mos'*;  
a storm in the earth. A shaking or tearing of the ground.

**:11** and **famines** and **pestilences**  
(*Natural issues*)

**limo/ß lie-mos**, a dwindling down, a scarcity  
of food, a growing shortage + **loimo/ß loy-mos**, a plague, disease, pests

**:11** and there will be **fearful sights** (*supernatural issues*)

**fo/bhtron phobetron**, a terrible or frightening fear caused by what is seen.

**:11** and **great signs** from (*the*) heaven(*lies*). (*supernatural issues*)

**me+gaß megas**, great, or super + **shmei√on semeion**, *say-mi'-on*; an indication or  
signal of supernaturally or unexplainable means. A wonder or spectacle

## So how should You and I be living?

You and I as Christians are to be living in such a way that;  
Our lives challenge others to consider Jesus Christ.

### 2 Peter 3:11

Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you  
to be in holy conduct and godliness,

### I want to give you permission – to “Go off for God”

“Go off for God” and find out how who’s in need in your neighborhood

“Go off for God” and ask the city if there’s a community need.

“Go off for God” and look in the local newspaper and find a sad story.

“Go off for God” and visit a nearby firehouse or police station.

### Matthew 5:14-16

“You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. **:15** Nor do  
they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all  
*who are* in the house. **:16** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your  
good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

# HE EXPECTS YOU TO DISCERN WHAT YOU SEE

## 2b.) That you would have something to say v.12-15

:12 But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and **persecute you, delivering you** up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake. :13 But it will turn out for you as **an occasion for testimony**. :14 Therefore settle *it* in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; :15 for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to **contradict** or **resist**.

Why would anyone in their right mind say or do anything that could **bring difficulty upon them?**

### Why would anyone sign up to go to war?

Because there is a **cause** greater than us. There is a **mission** bigger than us.

### Verse 12

But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and **persecute you, delivering you** up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake.

((remember that "broad-brush painting" I said earlier?))

**He's speaking to His followers then and.... later (the tribulation period)**  
and all the way thru to the end of days.

Because the message never changes, and the reactions are always the same.

### Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. :19 **Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations,** baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, :20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age."

You and I are to be trained in how to do that.  
We're all to be doing the work of an evangelist – **2 Timothy 4:5**

## Verse 12

**for My name's sake. (The coming persecution both then and now)**

we have something to say because;  
our message is not of us...

we have something to say because;  
this world is not our home...

**Listen, if you're a Christian today,  
it's because someone couldn't keep their mouth shut about Jesus!!!**

**I come from a long line of big mouths...**

### **Acts 4:13,17-21**

Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus... other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." ..... :17 But pharisee's concluded that this word spread no further among the people, "let us severely threaten them, that from now on they speak to no man in this name." :18 So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. :19 But Peter and John answered and said to them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. :20 **For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.**" :21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way of punishing them, because of the people, since they all glorified God for what had been done.

## Verse 13

**:13 But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony.**

### **"occasion"**

a favored moment, a specific time, a divine appointment. The appointed season. an open door or window to announce or to proclaim. To give an account. To give witness to a fact.

**at work, at school, with family, in the community**

**A Christian Cannot Lose in This World.**

## Verse 14-15

**:14 Therefore settle it (let it sink deep, anchor it, place it down below) in your hearts** not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; **:15 for I will give you a mouth and wisdom** which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist.

### John 14:25-26

These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. :26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your **remembrance**, whatsoever I have said unto you.

## So how should You and I be living?

You and I as Christians are to be speaking in such a way that;  
Our lives reveal the fact that we have been with Jesus Christ.

## HE EXPECTS YOU TO DISCERN WHAT YOU SEE

### 2c.) That you would have acceptance & assurance v.16-19

You will be **betrayed** even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. :17 And you will be **hated** by all for My name's sake...

Persecution, Rejection or Death  
Cannot Separate The Christian from His God.

**I believe that Satan wants to avoid using persecution at all costs and here's why.** History shows us that Since the birth of the church, persecution against the church has only caused the church to grow. When attacked, the church becomes more pure, more effective, and more attractive.

### Consider The Stoning of Stephen – In Acts 7:54

#### 2 Corinthians 5:8-9

We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. :9 Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him.

#### Romans 8:37-39

Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. :38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, :39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### Verse 16-17

You will be **betrayed** even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; **and they will put some of you to death.** :17 And you will be **hated** by all for My name's sake.



You will be **betrayed** even by parents and brothers,  
relatives and friends

**Think about Danielle and others like her,**  
who have come out of Islam, or Mormonism and have experienced  
the loss and rejection of friends and family....

**Matthew 16:25**

For whoever desires to save his life will lose it,  
but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

**Mark 10:28-30**

Then Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You." :29 So Jesus answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel's, :30 who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time—houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions—and in the age to come, eternal life.

**...and they will put some of you to death. :17** And you will be **hated**  
by all for My name's sake.

## The power of death that once scared us

Now has become **an usher** that escorts us into His presence.

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*"The man who walks with Jesus Christ may lose his life,  
but he will never lose his way."*

**Verse 18-19**

**:18** But not **a hair of your head shall be lost. :19** By your **patience** – **possess** your souls.

In life and death,  
not one hair of your head will be lost if you're a Christian.  
As Christians, some of us may **die - yes** / But **perish - never!**

### That's the Meaning of John 3:16

**John 3:16**

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever **believes**  
in Him should not **perish** but have everlasting life.

**Matthew 18:14**

Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven  
that not one of these little ones should **perish**

**John 3:15**

that whoever **believes** in Him should not **perish** but have eternal life.

**John 10:27-29**

**My** sheep hear **My** voice, and **I know** them, and they follow Me. **:28** And **I give** them eternal life, and they shall never **perish**; neither shall anyone snatch them out of **My hand**. **:29 My Father**, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of **My Father's** hand.

Pastor Jack, How do I “possess my soul?”

## So how should You and I be living?

You and I as Christians are to be Radicalized for Jesus - Doing those things that make “a world of difference” = don't be like this world anymore!!!

Get radicalized and learn how to	<b>tell <i>others about Jesus.</i></b>
Get radicalized and learn how to	<b>love <i>your husband or wife.</i></b>
Get radicalized and learn how to	<b>give <i>God your best.</i></b>
Get radicalized and learn how to	<b>do <i>what He wants you to do.</i></b>
Get radicalized and learn how to	<b>enjoy <i>His amazing love for you.</i></b>
Get radicalized and learn how to	<b>live <i>in His awesome power.</i></b>

**So, What's The Conclusion to This? “Escape” –**  
you and I will not see the “grand Fulfillment” of these Things. But what about our lost friends and family members?

## THE MOMENT OF DECISION IS NOW

Are you desiring to know Him today?  
I'm going to ask you to take a stand for Jesus Christ Today.

*End of Study*