

Matthew 23

Seven Woes to the Scribes and Pharisees

Jesus Speaks to the Multitude of Jews

Mat 23:1 Then spoke **Jesus to the multitude**, and to his disciples.

1. Mat 13:34 All these things spoke Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spoke he not unto them: Mat 13:35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; **I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world**.
2. Mat 14:19 And **he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass**, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to *his* disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. Mat 14:20 And they did all eat, and were filled: and **they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full**. Mat 14:21 And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.
3. Mat 22:32 **I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living**. Mat 22:33 And **when the multitude heard *this*, they were astonished at his doctrine**.

Opinion: Everything Jesus did was to help the multitude listening to him, gave them secrets from the foundation of earth, feed them, and spoke true doctrine to them.

Moses Position

Mat 23:2 Saying, **The scribes and the Pharisees sit (position) in Moses' seat**:

1. Exo 3:3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. Exo 3:4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I. Exo 3:5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: **put off your shoes from off your feet for the place where on you stand is holy ground**.
2. Num 7:89 And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, **then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims**: and he spoke unto him.
3. Mat 17:2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. Mat 17:3 And, behold, **there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him**.
4. Rev 11:3 And **I will give power unto my two witnesses**, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days (1st half of tribulation), clothed in sackcloth. Rev 11:4 **These (Moses and Elias) are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing (position) before the God of the earth**.

Scribes and Pharisees Condemning Jesus are Hypocrites

Mat 23:3 **All therefore what so ever they** (scribes & Pharisees) **bid you** (Jews)

observe, *that* observe and do (obey their authority); but do not you (Jews) after their works: **for they say, and do not (Hypocrite).**

1. Job 27:8 For what *is* the hope of the hypocrite, though he has gained, when God takes away his soul?
2. Job 34:30 That the hypocrite reign not, lest the people be ensnared.
3. Mat 7:5 **You hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of your own eye; and then shall you see clearly to cast out the mote out of your brother's eye.**

Hypocrites are false teachers, prophets, and followers who confess to follow the Doctrines of Jesus but follow doctrines of men or demons.

Certain Scribes and Pharisees Put Difficult Burdens on Jews

Mat 23:4 **For they** (scribes & Pharisees) **bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders (to practice); but they themselves** (scribes & Pharisees) **will not move them** (heavy burdens) **with one of their fingers.** (Easy burden of Jesus Matt 11:28-30)

1. Isa 58:6 *Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, **and to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke?***
2. Luk 11:46 And he said, Woe unto you also, *you* lawyers! for you lade men with burdens grievous to be borne (used as manipulation), and you yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers (not the least effort to help).
3. Gal 6:2 **Bear you (Christians) one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.**

Certain Scribes and Pharisees remove freedom offered by the cross and institute the use of fear contained in the law to manipulate the multitudes of Jews.

Certain Scribes and Pharisees Works are done to be seen of Men

Mat 23:5 **But all their** (scribes & Pharisees) **works they do for to be seen of men: they** (scribes & Pharisees) **make broad their phylacteries** (a small leather box), **and enlarge the borders of their** (scribes & Pharisees) **garments,**

1. Mat 6:4 **That your alms may be in secret: and your Father which sees in secret himself shall reward you openly.** Mat 6:5 **And when you pray, you shall not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men.** Verily I say unto you, They (hypocrites) have their reward. Mat 6:6 **But you, when you pray, enter into your closet, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father which is in secret; and your Father which sees in secret shall reward you openly.**

Phylacteries: A small leather box containing Hebrew texts on vellum, worn by Jewish men at morning prayer as a reminder to keep the law.

Certain Scribes and Pharisees Love Utmost Attention

Mat 23:6 (scribes & Pharisees) **And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the** (scribes & Pharisees) **chief seats in the synagogues,**

1. Mar 12:38 And he said unto them in his doctrine, **Beware** of the scribes, **which love to go in long clothing, and love salutations in the marketplaces,** Mar 12:39 **And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the**

uppermost rooms at feasts: Mar 12:40 Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these (scribes & Pharisees) shall receive greater (there are rankings of) damnation.

2. Luk 20:46 **Beware** of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts; Luk 20:47 Which devour widows' houses, and for a show make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.
3. Luk 11:42 But **woe** unto you, Pharisees! for you tithe mint (tithe spices) and rue (bitterly regret) and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought you to have done, and not to leave the other undone. Luk 11:43 **Woe** unto you, Pharisees! for you love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets. Luk 11:44 **Woe** unto you, **scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for you are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over *them* are not aware of *them*.

Certain Scribes and Pharisees want Exaltation

Mat 23:7 And (scribes & Pharisees) greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.

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3. Mat 23:8 But be not you called Rabbi: for one is your Master, *even* Christ; and all you are brethren. Mat 23:9 And call no *man* your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven. Mat 23:10 Neither be you called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ. he same shall receive greater (degrees) damnation.

There is One Master

Mat 23:8 But be not you (the multitude) called Rabbi: **for one is your Master, even Christ;** and all you (the multitude) are brethren.

1. Mat 9:10 And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. Mat 9:11 And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto his disciples, **Why eats your Master with publicans and sinners?** Mat 9:12 But when Jesus heard *that*, he said unto them, **They that be whole need not**

a physician, but they that are sick. Mat 9:13 But go you (scribes & Pharisees) and learn what *that* means, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

2. Eph 6:6 Not with eye service, as men pleasers; but as the servants of Christ, **doing the will of God from the heart**; Eph 6:7 With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men: Eph 6:8 Knowing that what so ever good thing any man does, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether *he be* bond or free. Eph 6:9 And, you masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; **neither is there respect of persons with him.**
3. Col 4:1 Masters, give unto *your* servants that which is just and equal; knowing that you also have a Master in heaven. Col 4:2 Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving; Col 4:3 Withal praying also for us, **that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ**, for which I (Paul) am also in bonds: Col 4:4 That I (Paul) may make it manifest, as I ought to speak. Col 4:5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Col 4:6 Let your speech *be* always with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer every man.

There is One Father in Heaven

Mat 23:9 And call no *man* your (the multitude) father upon the earth: for one is *your* (the multitude) Father, which is in heaven.

1. Mat 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.
2. Mat 10:32 **Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. Mat 10:33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.**
3. Mat 18:10 Take heed that you despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, **That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.**

Christ is Master

Mat 23:10 Neither be you (the multitude) called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ (Jesus).

1. Mat 26:18 And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master says, My time is at hand; I will keep the pass over at your house with my disciples.
2. Mat 26:49 (betray) And forthwith he (Judas) came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed him.
3. Col 4:1 Masters, give unto *your* servants that which is just and equal; **knowing that you also have a Master (Jesus) in heaven.**

The Leader of the Jews will Serve the Jews

Mat 23:11 **But he (individual) that is greatest among you (the multitude) shall be your servant.**

1. Mal 1:6 A son honors *his* father, and a servant his master: if then I *be* a father, where *is* mine honor? and if I *be* a master, where *is* my fear? says the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And you say, Wherein have we despised your name?
2. Luk 1:69 And has raised up an horn of salvation for us (Jews) in the house of his servant David;
3. Luk 16:13 **No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.**

Humility is Key for Conversion and Exaltation

Mat 23:12 **And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.**

1. Mic 6:8 He has showed you, O man, what *is* good; and **what does the LORD require of you, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?**
2. Mat 18:3 And said, Verily I say unto you, **Except you be converted (change in behavior), and become as little children,** you shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Mat 18:4 **Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.**
3. Php 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Php 2:6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: Php 2:7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: Php 2:8 And **being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.**

Scribes and Pharisees Close the Kingdom of Heaven

Mat 23:13 **But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for you neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer you them (Dispensational Saints) that are entering to go in.**

1. Mat 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
2. Mat 5:17 Think not that I (Jesus) am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. Mat 5:18 For verily I say unto you, **Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.** Mat 5:19 **Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.**

3. Mat 7:21 Not every one that says unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven. Mat 7:22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in your name? and in your name have cast out devils? and in your name done many wonderful works? Mat 7:23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, you that work iniquity.

Widows' Houses, Pretense Prayer, and Greater Damnation

Mat 23:14 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for you devour (take away) widows' houses (1), and (2) for a pretense make long prayer: (3) therefore you shall receive the greater damnation (. Matt 5:19)

1. Jas 1:27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.
2. Mat 6:5 And when you pray, you shall not be as the hypocrites *are*: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. Mat 6:6 But you (Jews), when you pray, enter into your closet, and when you have shut your door, pray to your which is in secret; and your Father which sees in secret shall reward you openly. Mat 6:7 But when you pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Mat 6:8 Be not you like unto them: for your Father knows what things you have need of, before you ask him.
3. Mat 5:19 **Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven:** but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Scribes and Pharisees Conversions are Children of Hell

Mat 23:15 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for you compass sea and land (go everywhere) to make one proselyte (conversion to their religion), and when he is made, you **make him** (proselyte) **twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.**

1. 1Th 5:5 You (Christians) are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
2. 2Ti 3:7 (unsaved) Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
3. Joh 8:44 You are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father you will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel. Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel. because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

The Temple, Gold, and Debtor Methods

Mat 23:16 **Woe** unto you (scribes & Pharisees), **you blind guides** (Matt 15:14), **which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!**

Mat 23:17 **you (scribes and Pharisees) fools and blind (Matt 23:16): for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifies the gold?**

***Mat 23:21 And who so shall swear by the temple, swears by it, and by him that dwells therein.**

Swear, Altar, Gift, and Guilty Methods

Mat 23:18 **And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever swears by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty.**

Mat 23:19 **you fools and blind: for whether *is* greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifies the gift?**

***Mat 23:20 Who so therefore shall swear by the altar, swears by it, and by all things thereon.**

Swear, Heaven, Throne of God, and God Methods

***Mat 23:22 And he that shall swear by heaven, swears by the throne of God, and by him that sits there on.**

Law, Judgment, Mercy, and Faith

Mat 23:23 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin (herbs), and have omitted the weightier (more important) *matters* of the (1) law, (2) judgment, (3) mercy, and (4) faith: these ought you (scribes and Pharisees) to have done, and not to leave the other undone.**

(1) Mat 7:12 **Therefore all things whatsoever you would that men should do to you, do you even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.**

(2) Mat 7:1 **Judge not, that you be not judged. Mat 7:2 For with what judgment you judge, you shall be judged: and with what measure you mete, it shall be measured to you again.**

(3) Mat 12:7 **But if you had known what *this* means, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, you would not have condemned the guiltless.**

(4) Act 6:8 **And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.**

Scribes and Pharisees Selfishness

Mat 23:24 **you blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.**

1. Mat 23:4 For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay *them* on men's shoulders; but they *themselves* will not move them with one of their fingers.
2. Mat 23:5 But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,
3. Mat 23:6 And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,
4. Mat 23:7 And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.

Hearts of Scribes and Pharisees

Mat 23:25 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.**

1. Mat 15:18 But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. Mat 15:19 **For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:**
2. Luk 11:39 And the Lord said unto him, Now do you Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter; **but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.**
3. Rev 17:4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, **having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:**

Cleanse the Inside First

Mat 23:26 *you* blind Pharisee, **cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter,** that the outside of them may be clean also.

1. Joh 15:3 **Now you are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.**
2. Act 18:6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook *his* raiment, and said unto them, Your blood *be* upon your own heads; I *am* clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.
3. 2Pe 2:17 **These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.** 2Pe 2:18 For when they speak great swelling *words* of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, *through much* wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error. 2Pe 2:19 **While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption:** for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

Scribes and Pharisees have Unclean Hearts

Mat 23:27 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for you are like unto whited sepulchres (monuments), which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead *men's* bones, and of all uncleanness.

1. Rom 2:28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither *is that* circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: Rom 2:29 But **he is a Jew,**

which is one inwardly; and circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the spirit, *and* not in the letter; whose praise *is* not of men, but of God.

2. 2Co 4:16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, **yet the inward man is renewed day by day.**
3. 1Pe 3:3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward *adorning* of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; 1Pe 3:4 But **let it be the hidden man of the heart,** in that which is not corruptible, *even the ornament* of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

Scribes and Pharisees full of Hypocrisy and Iniquity

Mat 23:28 **Even so you also outwardly appear** (moral denominationalism) **righteous unto men, but within you are full of hypocrisy** (concealment of character) **and iniquity** (malicious),

1. Isa 32:6 For the vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work iniquity, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.
2. 1Ti 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 1Ti 4:2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

Blood of the Prophets

Mat 23:29 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** because you **build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,** Mat 23:30 **And say, If we (scribes and Pharisees) had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.**

1. Zep 3:4 Her prophets *are* light *and* treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.
2. Eph 2:20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*; Eph 2:21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:
3. 2Pe 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. 2Pe 2:2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

Scribes and Pharisees Children of those that Killed Prophets

Mat 23:31 **Wherefore you** (scribes and Pharisees) **be witnesses unto yourselves, that you are the children of them which killed the prophets.**

Mat 23:32 **Fill you up then the measure of your fathers.**

1. Luk 11:46 And he said, **Woe unto you also, *you* lawyers!** for ye **lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and you yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers.** Luk 11:47 **Woe unto you!** for ye **build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers killed**

them. Luk 11:48 Truly ye bear witness that you allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and you build their sepulchres.

2. 1Th 2:15 Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men:
3. Mat 7:2 For with what judgment you judge, you shall be judged: and with what measure you mete (measure), it shall be measured to you again.

Scribes and Pharisees are Serpents and Vipers

Mat 23:33 you (scribes and Pharisees) serpents, you generation of vipers, how can you escape the damnation of hell?

1. Mat 3:7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath to come?
2. Mat 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.
3. Mat 23:15 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, you make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

Jesus Taught in the Synagogues

Mat 23:34 Wherefore, behold, I (Jesus) send unto you (the Jewish Multitude) prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and *some* of them you shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall you scourge in your synagogues, and persecute *them* from city to city:

1. Mat 9:35 And **Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues**, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. Mat 9:36 But **when he (Jesus) saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them**, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.
2. Joh 12:42 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess *him*, lest they should be put out of the synagogue:
3. Rev 2:8 And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things

as the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive; Rev 2:9 I know your works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but you are rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan. Denominationalism parallels the Jewish Temple

Righteous Blood upon the Jewish Multitude

Mat 23:35 That upon you (the Jewish Multitude) may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom you slew between the temple and the altar.

1. Mat 23:30 And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. Mat 23:31 Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. 1Ti 1:8 But we know that the law *is* good, if a man use it lawfully;
2. 1Ti 1:9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, **but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, 1Ti 1:10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine**; 1Ti 1:11 According to the glorious gospel of the blessed
3. 2Ti 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 2Ti 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

These Things Come upon this Generation

Mat 23:36 Verily I (Jesus) say unto you (the Jewish Multitude), All these things shall come upon this generation.

1. Mat 12:33 Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by *his* fruit. Mat 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

2. Mat 12:41 **The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it:** because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here. Mat 12:42 **The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it:** for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.
3. Mat 23:33 *You* serpents, *you* generation of vipers, **how can you scape the damnation of hell?**

Jews of Jerusalem Kill the Prophets

Mat 23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *you* that kill the prophets, and stone them which are sent unto you, **how often would I have gathered your children together,** even as a hen gathers her chickens under *her* wings, and you would not!

1. Rom 15:25 But now I (Paul) go unto Jerusalem to minister unto the (Christian) saints
2. Luk 21:24 **And they (Jews) shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations (AD70): and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.**
3. Rev 11:8 And their (two witnesses) dead bodies *shall lie* in the street of the great city (Tribulation Jerusalem), which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our (Christians) Lord was crucified.
4. Rev 18:20 Rejoice over her (Tribulation Jerusalem), *you* heaven, and *you* holy apostles and prophets; for God has avenged you on her.

Desolation of the 2nd Jewish Temple

Mat 23:38 **Behold, your house (2nd Jewish Temple) is left unto you (Jews) desolate.**

1. Mat 12:25 And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, **Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand: Mat 12:26 And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand? Mat 12:27 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast *them* out? therefore they shall be your judges. Mat 12:28 But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.**
2. Luk 13:34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which kill the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto you (Jewish Multitudes); how often would I (Jerusalem) have gathered your children together, as a hen *dotes gather* her brood under *her* wings, and you would not! Luk 13:35 Behold, your house (2nd Jewish Temple) is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto

you, You shall not see me, until *the time* come when you shall say, Blessed *is* he that comes in the name of the Lord.

3. Mat 24:15 When you therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso reads, let him understand:) Mat 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Mat 24:17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Mat 24:18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

The Name of the Lord

Mat 23:39 For I (Jesus) say unto you, you shall not see me henceforth, till you shall say, **Blessed *is* he that comes in the name of the Lord.**

1. Mat 21:9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: **Blessed *is* he that comes in the name of the Lord;** Hosanna in the highest.
2. Luk 13:35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, You shall not see me, until *the time* come when you shall say, **Blessed *is* he that comes in the name of the Lord.**
3. Luk 14:15 And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed *is* he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.