



IS THE END NEAR?

Msg. 3: The Signs of the Times (Part 2)

I. Review: Matthew 24:3-8

A. The Admonishment Of Jesus: Verse 4: “And Jesus answered and said to them: Take heed that no one deceives you.”

B. The First 3 Signs:

1. False Messiahs: Will lead many away from the truth.
2. Wars and rumors of wars: Wars will be common, but as a child of God, we are to walk in _____ and we are not to be _____!
3. Famines, Pestilences, and Earthquakes:
 - a. Verse 8: “All these are the beginning of sorrows.” (_____ - _____)
 - b. The next event in God's time schedule is the _____ of the church.

II. The Signs Of The Times: Part 2

A. Sign #4: _____ and _____
Verses 9-10

1. Past and Future Fulfillment
2. Persecution today:
 - a. Over _____ million Christians worldwide suffer interrogation, arrest, even death for their faith in Jesus Christ...” (Open Doors, Brother Andrew)
 - b. Persecution in the United States?
 - Media bias
 - Hate Crimes Bill – H.R. 1913

B. Sign #5: _____ – Verse 11

1. A false prophet will always lead one away from:
 - a. The narrow path: _____ (Matthew 7:13-14)
 - b. The singular door: _____ (John 10:9; 14:6)
2. Beware! False prophets come dressed as angels of light! II Corinthians 11:13; Revelation 16:13

C. Sign #6: Increased _____ and _____:

1. The world will move further and further away from God: Revelation 9:18-21; 16:8-9
2. The increase of _____ in our culture is dulling the sensitivity and conscience of the next generation.

III. A Call To Endurance!

A. Verse 13: “But he who endures to the end shall be saved.”

1. The promise for the believer today:
2. I Thessalonians 5:4-5; 8-11
3. Revelation 3:10-12

B. Verse 14: “And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

1. God is rich in mercy! He is not willing that any should _____:
 - a. II Peter 3:3-4, 10-11
 - b. Revelation 14:6
2. Our call is to respond to the Gospel _____!
 - a. II Corinthians 6:2
 - b. Revelation 3:20-21