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An Overview of Jesus' Olivet Prophecies

Context

Jerusalem Will Be Destroyed (Matthew 24:1-2)
Humanity Will Be Deceived (Matthew 24:4-5, 11, 24-26)
Wars Will Be Fought (Matthew 24:6-8)
Believers Will Be Despised (Matthew 24:9-10)
Love Will Be Scarce (Matthew 24:12-13)
The Gospel Will Be Declared (Matthew 24:14)
The Temple Will Be Desecrated (Matthew 24:15-22)
The Antichrist Will Display Miracles (Matthew 24:23-26)

The Context and Timing (24:29)

The Condition of the World and Humanity

Billions Deceived and Deluded (2 Thess. 2:3-9)

The Seal Judgments (Rev 6) - Humanity's Response? Kill saints (6:9-11). Terror, no atheists (6:15-17).

The Trumpet Judgments (Rev 8-9) - Humanity's Response?

Suicide attempts (9:6). Resurgence of Pagan Idolatry (9:20).

Stubborn Refusal to repent (9:20-21).

The Condition of the World and Humanity

Prior to Bowl Judgments, the Mark of the Beast is Received (14:9-11)

The Bowl Judgments (Rev 16:1-21) - Humanity's Response?

Blaspheme God (16:9). Refuse to repent (6:9).

Judgment #5 - Darkness on AC Kingdom (16:10-11)

Response? "they blasphemed the God of Heaven (16:11).

Judgment #6 - 3 Demons released to prepare for Armageddon (16:12-16)

Purpose? To rally earth's armies to fight the Lamb

The Condition of the World and Humanity (cont.)

Judgment #7 - Most devastating earthquake in history (16:17-21) Fall of Babylon (16:19). Islands disappear, mountain ranges leveled (16:20). 100 lb. hailstones rain from the sky (16:21) Humanity's Response? They blaspheme God (16:21).

Chronological Recap of Humankind's Tribulation Condition

Run. Hide. Rebel. Refuse to repent. Reject God, receive Antichrist. Blaspheme God. Refuse to repent. Unite in order to kill God. Psalm 2:1-6

What Happens When the Son of Man Returns? Matthew 24:29-31

Planet earth will suffer a global blackout (29)

The heavens will violently shake (29)

The sign of the Son of Man will appear (30)

The shekinah glory of God will flashblind the earth (30)

All the elect will be gathered together (31)

What Happens at the Second Coming? Revelation 19:11-15

From where is He coming? (11) - Heaven

How does He get here? (11) - He rides a white victory horse

What is His character like? (11) - Faithful and True

What is His mission (11) - To Judge and Wage War

What does He look like? (11) - His eyes are a flame of fire (1:14).

On His head are many crowns.

What is His "Secret Name?" (12) - No one knows

What is He wearing? (13) - A robe "dipped in blood" (Isa. 63:1-6; Rev. 14:14-20)

What is His revealed Name? (13) - The Word of God (John 1:1, 14; 1 John 1:1). He's the image of the invisible God (John 1:18; Hebrews 1:3)

Who's riding with Him? (14) - The "armies of Heaven"

1. The Bride (19:7-8). 2. Tribulation Martyrs (7:9; 17:14). 3. O.T.

Saints (Daniel 12:1-2). 4. Holy Angels (Matthew 25:31). How many?

Where does He land? (Zech. 14:4; Acts 1:10-11) - His feet touch the Mount of Olives, violently splitting it in two.

What is His only weapon? (15) - His Word.

What is His title? (15) - "KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS"

Why is Jesus Returning?

- To Fulfill His Promise (Matt. 25:31; Acts 1:9-11; Zech. 14:4)
- To Defeat His Enemies (Rev. 19:19-21)
- To Redeem and Restore Israel (Isa. 43:5-6; Jer. 30:10; 33:6-
- 9; Ezek. 36:24-38; 37:1-28; Isa. 11:11; Rom. 11:25-27)
- To Judge unsaved Gentiles and Reward righteous ones (Matt.
- 25:31-46)
- To Resurrect O.T. & Tribulation Saints (Rev. 20:4-6; Dan. 12:1-
- 46 Bind Satan for 1,000 years (Rev. 20:1-3)
- To Reign as the Unrivaled, Supreme King on Earth
- (Rev. 19:6; Isa. 9:6; Dan. 2:44; Matt. 19:28; Luke 1:32-33)



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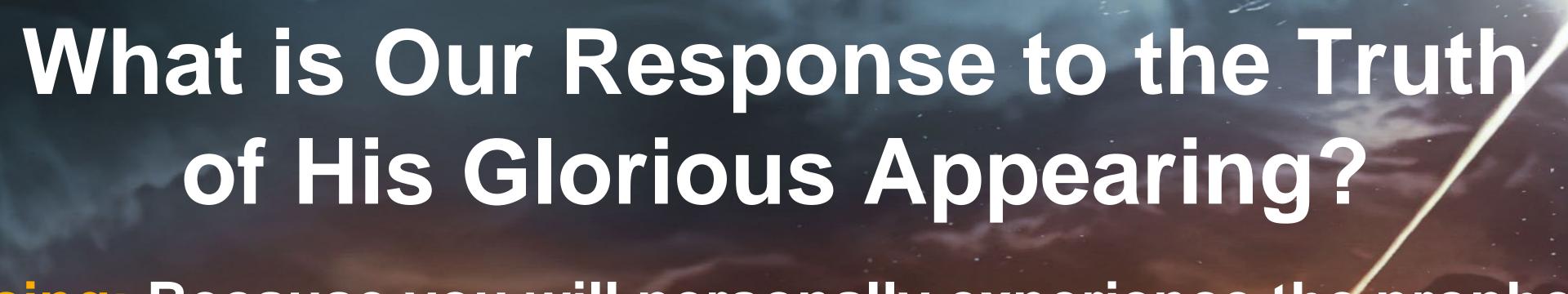
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Worship: Because He is worthy (Rev. 4:11; 5:8-14). Fall before your coming King (Rev. 19:10; 22:20). *Enlarges our worship.*

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