

## STAY WIDE AWAKE

### *Luke 21:5-36*

Vv. 5-7: Jesus overheard some tourists oohing and aahing over the temple begun under \_\_\_\_\_ the Great Jesus prophesied the destruction of this temple; those who heard demanded to know \_\_\_\_\_ it would happen

Vv. 8-19: Instead of answering their question immediately Jesus first gave a description of the \_\_\_\_\_ This time period would be characterized by religious, political & natural \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for believers

V. 20: Jesus answered the question in v.7—when Jerusalem was besieged the \_\_\_\_\_ would be destroyed

V. 21: Jesus warned them not to flee to Jerusalem, but to flee away; \_\_\_\_\_ remembered Jesus' warning

Vv. 22-24: Josephus records that \_\_\_\_\_ Jews died in this siege; nearly 100,000 were taken captive

V. 24: God defined a period called the Time of the \_\_\_\_\_ that began in 70 AD and lasted until the End Times

1) We are living in a period in which God has decreed that \_\_\_\_\_ will dominate world history

2) This period is the day of spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ for Gentiles: the church must reach all non-Jewish nations

3) When this time ends, God will bring \_\_\_\_\_ on the Gentiles; this judgment is described in vv.25-26

Why did Jesus transition straight from talking about what happened in 70 AD to talking about the End Times?

1) Both are moments of \_\_\_\_\_ judgment; in 70 AD Israel ceased to exist as a nation—God finished with her

The judgments that take place during the Tribulation Period are similar final judgments but on \_\_\_\_\_ nations

2) Both focus on the \_\_\_\_\_ in Jerusalem; in 70 AD the Romans destroyed the temple stone for stone

Midway thru the Tribulation the Beast will set himself up as god in the temple—the abomination of \_\_\_\_\_

Vv.25-26: Jesus gave a summary of the judgments prophesied in Revelation that describe the \_\_\_\_\_

V. 27: Jesus' Second Coming will be in a \_\_\_\_\_ which is the Shekinah Glory—His deity will be unmistakable

V. 28 is the key prophecy in this passage—it contains three key words or phrases:

1) Jesus gave a timeframe—when the things described in vv. 25-26 \_\_\_\_\_ --the beginning of the Tribulation

2) "Redemption" here refers to believers receiving their \_\_\_\_\_ bodies, described in 1 Thess. 4:13-17

3) Because believers will NOT experience the judgments of the Tribulation, Jesus told us to \_\_\_\_\_

Vv. 29-33: When trees bud, we know summer is coming; when we see these judgments in vv. 25-26, we know Jesus will return within that \_\_\_\_\_ ; Daniel and Revelation define this period more precisely—7 years

Jesus indicated that these prophecies are more certain to be fulfilled than the existence of heaven and \_\_\_\_\_

Vv. 34-36: The most important part of this prophecy is its practical application: Jesus warned to take 2 actions

"That day" = "the Day of the \_\_\_\_\_ " which is used in the OT of any time God enters human history in judgment

1) "Watch" means to be \_\_\_\_\_ , don't go to sleep, stay wide awake, prop your eyelids open with toothpicks

The \_\_\_\_\_ things of life can distract us from end time realities; the \_\_\_\_\_ of life can also distract us

Generally human beings will be asleep to the final judgments and will stumble into them like a \_\_\_\_\_

2) Pray—pray specifically that we will be worthy to \_\_\_\_\_ these judgments and stand before the Lord

If Jesus is going to come for believers & redeem our bodies before the Tribulation, why do we need to \_\_\_\_\_ ?

Prayer is effectual when we claim what God has already \_\_\_\_\_ like Elijah did when he prayed for rain

We must claim the promise of redemption before the \_\_\_\_\_ : "Even so, come, Lord Jesus and redeem me"

