**Your Separation-The Rapture-God's Will**

**Notes**

**Mountains of Separation**

Song 2:8-Song 2:9 NKJV

**The Beloved’s Request**

**The Shulamite**

The voice of my beloved! Behold, he comes Leaping upon the mountains, Skipping upon the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Behold, he stands behind our wall; He is looking through the windows, Gazing through the lattice.

The voice of my beloved!
Behold, he comes
Leaping upon the mountains,
Skipping upon the hills.

**9**My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag.
Behold, he stands behind our wall;
He is looking through the windows,
Gazing through the lattice.

**10My beloved spoke, and said to me:**
**“Rise up, my love, my fair one,
And come away.
11**For lo, the winter is past,
The rain is over *and* gone.
**12**The flowers appear on the earth;
The time of singing has come,
And the voice of the turtledove
Is heard in our land.
**13The fig tree puts forth her green figs**,
And the vines *with* the tender grapes
Give a *good* smell.
**Rise up, my love, my fair one,
And come away!**

**14**“O my dove, in the clefts of the rock,
In the secret *places* of the cliff,
Let me see your face,
Let me hear your voice;
For your voice *is* sweet,
And your face *is* lovely.”

**Her Brothers**

**15**Catch us the foxes,
The little foxes that spoil the vines,
For our vines *have* tender grapes.

**The Shulamite**

**16**My beloved *is* mine, and I *am* his.
He feeds *his flock* among the lilies.

**(To Her Beloved)**

**17**Until the day breaks
And the shadows flee away,
Turn, my beloved,
**And be like a gazelle
Or a young stag
Upon the mountains of Bether.** (Mountains of Separation)

**Holy = Separation**

Lev 20:22-Lev 20:26 NKJV
‘You shall therefore keep all My statutes and all My judgments, and perform them, that the land where I am bringing you to dwell may not vomit you out. And you shall not walk in the statutes of the nation which I am casting out before you; for they commit all these things, and therefore I abhor them. But I have said to you, “You shall inherit their land, and I will give it to you to possess, a land flowing with milk and honey.” I am the Lord your God, who has separated you from the peoples. You shall therefore distinguish between clean animals and unclean, between unclean birds and clean, and you shall not make yourselves abominable by beast or by bird, or by any kind of living thing that creeps on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

**And you shall be holy to Me, for I the Lord am holy, and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be Mine.**

Num 16:20-Num 16:21 NKJV
And the Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, “**Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume** them in a moment.”

**The Law of the temple**

Ezek 43:12 NKJV
This is the law of the temple: **The whole area surrounding the mountaintop is most holy**. Behold, this is the law of the temple.

**The Tares of the field**

Matt 13:24-Matt 13:30 NKJV
Another parable He put forth to them, saying: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way. But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. So the servants of the owner came and said to him, ‘Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?’ He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The servants said to him, ‘Do you want us then to go and gather them up?’

**But he said, ‘No, lest while you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest**, and at the **time of harvest I will** say to the reapers, “First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn.” ’ ”

Matt 13:36-Matt 13:43 NKJV
Then Jesus sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the tares of the field.” He answered and said to them: “He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels. Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age. **The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend**, and those who practice lawlessness, and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father.

He who has ears to hear, let him hear!

**The Parable of the Dragnet**

**47**“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind, **48**which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and **gathered the good** into vessels, but threw the bad away.

**49**So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, **separate the wicked** from **among** the just, **50**and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.”

**51Jesus said to them, “Have you understood all these things?”**

They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.”

**52**Then He said to them, “**Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure *things* new and old**.”

**The Son of Man Will Judge the Nations**

Mathew 25

**31**“When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. **32**All the nations will be gathered before Him, and **He will separate them one from another**, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats. **33**And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. **34**Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: **35**for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; **36**I *was* naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.’

**37**“Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed *You,* or thirsty and give *You* drink? **38**When did we see You a stranger and take *You* in, or naked and clothe *You?* **39**Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?’ **40**And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.’

**41**“Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: **42**for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; **43**I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.’

**44**“Then they also will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?’ **45**Then He will answer them, saying, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do *it* to one of the least of these, you did not do *it* to Me.’ **46**And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Heb 7:26 NKJV
For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is **holy**, harmless, undefiled**, separate from sinners**, and has become higher than the heavens;

**Thoroughly clean the threshing floor**

Luke 3:15-Luke 3:17 NKJV
Now as the people were in expectation, and all reasoned in their hearts about John, whether he was the Christ or not, John answered, saying to all, “I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in His hand, and **He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor**, and **gather the wheat** into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.”

**The Rapture – Pattern**

Matt 1:18-Matt 1:19 NKJV
Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, **being a just man**, and **not wanting to make her a public example**, was minded to **put her away secretly**.

**Separation – His Idea from the very beginning**

Gen 1:3-Gen 1:5 NKJV
Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and **God divided the light from the darkness**. God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

**The earth is full of “Hamas”**

Gen 6:13-Gen 6:14 NKJV
And God said to Noah, “**The end of all flesh has come before Me, for the earth is filled with violence** through them; and behold, I will destroy them with the earth. **Make yourself an ark** of gopherwood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and outside with **pitch**.

**22**Thus Noah did; according to all that God commanded him, so he did.

**After seven days – The Flood**

Gen 7

**7**Then the Lord said to Noah, “**Come into the ark, you and all your household, because I have seen *that* you *are* righteous before Me in this generation.** **2**You shall take with you seven each of every clean animal, a male and his female; two each of animals that *are* unclean, a male and his female; **3**also seven each of birds of the air, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth. 4For after seven more days I will cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made.” **5**And Noah did according to all that the Lord commanded him. **6**Noah *was* **six hundred years old** when the floodwaters were on the earth.

Gen 7:16 NKJV
So those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; **and the Lord shut him in.**

17 Now the flood was on the earth forty days. **The waters increased and lifted up the ark, and it rose high above the earth**. 18 The waters prevailed and greatly increased on the earth**, and the ark moved about on the surface of the waters**. 19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly on the earth, and all the high hills under the whole heaven were covered. 20 The waters prevailed fifteen cubits upward, and the mountains were covered. 21 And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. 22 All in whose nostrils was the breath [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Genesis%207&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-182d)]of the spirit of life, all that was on the dry land, died. 23 So He destroyed all living things which were on the face of the ground: both man and cattle, creeping thing and bird of the air. They were destroyed from the earth. **Only Noah and those who were with him in the ark remained alive**. 24 And the waters prevailed on the earth one hundred and fifty days.

**Shall I hide from Abraham**

Gen 18:16-Gen 18:17 NKJV
Then the men rose from there and looked toward Sodom, and Abraham went with them to send them on the way. And the Lord said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am doing,

**Would You also destroy the righteous with the wicked ? – Therefore separation**

Gen 18:22-Gen 18:23 NKJV
Then the men turned away from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord. And Abraham came near and said, “Would You also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

**24**Suppose there were fifty righteous within the city; would You also destroy the place and not spare *it* for the fifty righteous that were in it?

**25Far be it from You to do such a thing as this, to slay the righteous with the wicked**,

**so that the righteous should be as the wicked; far be it from You!**

**Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right**?”

**26**So the Lord said, “If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.”

Gen 18:32-Gen 18:33 NKJV
Then he said, “Let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak but once more: Suppose ten should be found there?” **And He said, “I will not destroy it for the sake of ten**.”

So the Lord went His way as soon as He had finished speaking with Abraham; and **Abraham returned to his place. (His resting place)**

**Judgement on Sodom and Gomorrah – “I cannot do anything until you arrive there”**

**19**Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw *them,* he rose to meet them, and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground. **2**And he said, “Here now, my lords, please turn in to your servant’s house and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way.”

And they said, “No, but we will spend the night in the open square.”

**3**But he insisted strongly; so they turned in to him and entered his house. Then he made them a feast, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.

**4**Now before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all the people from every quarter, surrounded the house. **5**And they called to Lot and said to him, “Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them *carnally.*”

**6So Lot went out to them through the doorway, shut the door behind him**, **7**and said, “Please, my brethren, do not do so wickedly! **8**See now, I have two daughters who have not known a man; please, let me bring them out to you, and you may do to them as you wish; only do nothing to these men, since this is the reason they have come under the shadow of my roof.”

**9**And they said, “Stand back!” Then they said, “This one came in to stay *here,* and he keeps acting as a judge; now we will deal worse with you than with them.” **So they pressed hard against the man Lot, and came near to break down the door. 10But the men reached out their hands and pulled Lot into the house with them, and shut the door.** **11**And they struck the men who *were* at the doorway of the house with blindness, both small and great, so that they became weary *trying* to find the door.

**12Then the men said to Lot, “Have you anyone else here? Son-in-law, your sons, your daughters, and whomever you have in the city—take *them* out of this place! 13For we will destroy this place,** because the outcry against them has grown great before the face of the Lord, and **the Lord has sent us to destroy it**.”

14So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who had married his daughters, and said, “Get up, get out of this place; for the Lord will destroy this city!” But to his sons-in-law he seemed to be joking. “**credibility of the messenger”**

**15**When the morning dawned, the angels urged Lot to hurry, saying, “**Arise, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be consumed in the punishment of the city**.”

**16**And **while he lingered**, the men took hold of his hand, his wife’s hand, and the hands of his two daughters, **the Lord being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city**.

**17**So it came to pass, when they had brought them outside, that he said, “**Escape** for your life! Do not look behind you nor stay anywhere in the plain. **Escape** to the mountains, lest you be destroyed.”

**18**Then Lot said to them, “Please, no, my lords! **19**Indeed now, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have increased your mercy which you have shown me by saving my life; but I cannot **escape** to the mountains, lest some evil overtake me and I die. **20**See now, this city *is* near *enough* to flee to, and it *is* a little one; please let me **escape** there (*is* it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.”

**21**And he said to him, “See, I have favored you concerning this thing also, in that **I will not overthrow this city for which you have spoken**.

**22**Hurry, **escape** there. For I cannot do anything until you arrive there.”

Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

**23**The sun had risen upon the earth **when Lot entered Zoar.**

**24Then the Lord rained** brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah, from the Lord out of the heavens. **25**So He overthrew those cities, all the plain, all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground.

**26But his wife looked back behind him, and she became a pillar of salt**.

**27**And Abraham went early in the morning to the place where he had stood before the Lord. **28**Then he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain; and he saw, and behold, the smoke of the land which went up like the smoke of a furnace.

**29**And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that **God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow**, when He overthrew the cities in which **Lot had dwelt.**

**Do my prophets no harm**

Gen 20:3 NKJV
**3**But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, “**Indeed you *are* a dead man** because of the woman whom you have taken, for she *is* a man’s wife.”

**4**But Abimelech had not come near her; and he said, “Lord, will You slay a righteous nation also? **5**Did he not say to me, ‘She *is* my sister’? And she, even she herself said, ‘He *is* my brother.’ In the ]integrity of my heart and innocence of my hands I have done this.”

**6**And God said to him in a dream, “Yes, I know that you did this in the integrity of your heart. For I also withheld you from sinning against Me; therefore **I did not let you touch her**. **7**Now therefore, restore the man’s wife; for **he *is* a prophet**, and he will pray for you and you shall live. But if you do not restore *her,* know that you shall surely die, you and all who *are* yours.”

**14**Then Abimelech took sheep, oxen, and male and female servants, and gave *them* to Abraham; and he restored Sarah his wife to him. **15**And Abimelech said, “See, my land *is* before you; dwell where it pleases you.” **16**Then to Sarah he said, “Behold, I have given your brother a thousand *pieces* of silver; indeed this vindicates you before all who *are* with you and before everybody.” Thus she was rebuked.

**17**So Abraham prayed to God; and God healed Abimelech, his wife, and his female servants. Then they bore *children;* **18for the Lord had closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech because of Sarah, Abraham’s wife**.

**Do not touch My anointed ones**

Ps 105:7-Ps 105:8 NKJV
He is the Lord our God; His judgments are in all the earth.

He **remembers His covenant forever**,
**The word** *which* He commanded, for a thousand generations,
**9*The covenant*** which He made with Abraham,
And **His oath** to Isaac,
**10**And confirmed it to Jacob for a **statute**,
To Israel *as* an **everlasting covenant**,
**11**Saying, “To you I will give the land of Canaan
As the allotment of your inheritance,”
**12**When they were few in number,
Indeed very few, and strangers in it.

**13**When they went from one nation to another,
From *one* kingdom to another people,
**14He permitted no one to do them wrong;**
Yes, He rebuked kings for their sakes,
**15***Saying,* “Do not touch My anointed ones,
And do My prophets no harm.”

**Seventy Weeks**

Daniel 9

20 Now while I was speaking, praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy mountain of my God, 21 yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering. **22**And he informed *me,* and talked with me, and said, “O Daniel, **I have now come forth to give you skill to understand**. **23**At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell *you,* for you *are* greatly beloved; therefore **consider the matter, and understand the vision**:

**24**“Seventy weeks are determined

For **your people** and for **your holy city**,
**To finish** the transgression,
**To make** an end of sins,
**To make** reconciliation for iniquity,
**To bring** in everlasting righteousness,
**To seal** up vision and prophecy,
And **To anoint** the Most Holy.

**25**“**Know therefore and understand**,
*That* from the going forth of the command
To restore and build Jerusalem
Until Messiah the Prince,
*There shall be* seven weeks and sixty-two weeks;
The street shall be built again, and the wall,
Even in troublesome times.

**26**“And after the sixty-two weeks
Messiah shall [be cut off, but not for Himself;
And the people of the prince who is to come
Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.
The end of it *shall be* with a flood,
And **till the end of the war desolations are determined.**

**27**Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week;
But in the middle of the week
He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering.
And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate,
Even until the consummation, which is determined,
Is poured out on the desolate.” **desolator**

**April 6, 32 AD.**

The countdown began on March 14, 455 BC.AD – Decree of Artaxerxes

From March 14, 455 BC there will be 69 WEEKS or 483 year or 173,880 days from March 14, 455 BC until Jesus would ride into Jerusalem on a donkey as the Messiah. That was April 6, 32 AD.

After April 6, 32 AD or the 69 WEEKS or the 173,880 days MESSIAH (Jesus) will be cut off

And from historical dates we can then know that the 4th Passover of Jesus’ ministry and His crucifixion happened on April 10, 32 AD.

**Luke 19**

**The Time of your Visitation – “The Things for your Shalom”**

**41**Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, **42**saying, “If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, **the things *that* *make* for your peace**! But now they are hidden from your eyes. **43**For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, **44**and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, **because you did not know the time of your visitation**.”

**Mathew 21**

**Visiting the Fig Tree Nation**

**The Triumphal Entry**

**21**Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, **2**saying to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose *them* and bring *them* to Me. **3**And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and immediately he will send them.”

**4**All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying:

**5**“Tell the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your King is coming to you,
Lowly, and sitting on a donkey,
A colt, the foal of a donkey.’ ”

**6**So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. **7**They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23834c)]and set *Him* on them. **8**And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread *them* on the road. **9**Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying:

“Hosanna to the Son of David!
‘Blessed *is* He who comes in the name of the Lord!’
Hosanna in the highest!”

**10**And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, “Who is this?”

**11**So the multitudes said, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee.”

**Jesus Cleanses the Temple**

**12**Then Jesus went into the temple [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23839d)]of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. **13**And He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a ‘den of thieves.’ ”

**14**Then *the* blind and *the* lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them. **15**But when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying out in the temple and saying, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” they were [[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23842e)]indignant **16**and said to Him, “Do You hear what these are saying?”

And Jesus said to them, “Yes. Have you never read,

‘Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants
You have perfected praise’?”

**17**Then He left them and went out of the city to Bethany, and He lodged there.

**The Fig Tree Withered**

**18**Now in the morning, as He returned to the city, He was hungry. **19**And seeing a fig tree by the road, He came to it and found nothing on it but leaves, and said to it, “Let no fruit grow on you ever again.” Immediately the fig tree withered away.

**The Lesson of the Withered Fig Tree**

**20**And when the disciples saw *it,* they marveled, saying, “How did the fig tree wither away so soon?”

**21**So Jesus answered and said to them, “Assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what was done to the fig tree, but also if you say to this mountain, ‘Be removed and be cast into the sea,’ it will be done. **22**And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.”

**Jesus’ Authority Questioned**

**23**Now when He came into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people confronted Him as He was teaching, and said, “By what authority are You doing these things? And who gave You this authority?”

**24**But Jesus answered and said to them, “I also will ask you one thing, which if you tell Me, I likewise will tell you by what authority I do these things: **25**The baptism of John—where was it from? From heaven or from men?”

And they reasoned among themselves, saying, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ He will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ **26**But if we say, ‘From men,’ we fear the multitude, for all count John as a prophet.” **27**So they answered Jesus and said, “We do not know.”

And He said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

**The Parable of the Two Sons**

**28**“But what do you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first and said, ‘Son, go, work today in my vineyard.’ **29**He answered and said, ‘I will not,’ but afterward he regretted it and went. **30**Then he came to the second and said likewise. And he answered and said, ‘I *go,* sir,’ but he did not go. **31**Which of the two did the will of *his* father?”

They said to Him, “The first.”

Jesus said to them, “Assuredly, I say to you that tax collectors and harlots enter the kingdom of God before you. **32**For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him; but tax collectors and harlots believed him; and when you saw *it,* you did not afterward [[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23859f)]relent and believe him.

**The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers**

**33**“Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. **34**Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. **35**And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. **36**Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. **37**Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ **38**But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.’ **39**So they took him and cast *him* out of the vineyard and killed *him.*

**40**“Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?”

**41**They said to Him, “He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease *his* vineyard to other vinedressers who will [[g](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23868g)]render to him the fruits in their seasons.”

**42**Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures:

‘The stone which the builders rejected
Has become the chief cornerstone.
This was the Lord’s doing,
And it is marvelous in our eyes’?

**43**“Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a nation bearing the fruits of it. **44**And whoever falls on this stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder.”

**45**Now when the chief priests and Pharisees heard His parables, they perceived that He was speaking of them. **46**But when they sought to lay hands on Him, they feared the multitudes, because they took Him for a prophet.

**Luke 17**

**Days of the Son of Man**

**20**Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, “**The kingdom of God does not come with observation**; **21**nor will they say, See here!’ or ‘See there!’ For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you.”

**22**Then He said to the disciples, “**The days will come when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see *it****.* **23**And they will say to you, Look here!’ or ‘Look there!’ Do not go after *them* or follow *them.* **24**For as the lightning that flashes out of one *part* under heaven shines to the other *part* under heaven, **so also the Son of Man will be in His day**. **25**But first He must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.

**26**And **as it was in the days of Noah**, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: **27**They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, **until the day that Noah entered the ark**, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

**28**Likewise **as it was also in the days of Lot**: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; **29**but **on the day that Lot went out of Sodom** it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed *them* all. **30**Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed.

**31**“In that day, he who is on the housetop, and his goods *are* in the house, let him not come down to take them away. And likewise the one who is in the field, let him not turn back. **32**Remember Lot’s wife. **33**Whoever seeks to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it. **34**I tell you, in that night there will be two [[j](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2017&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25686j)]*men* in one bed: the one will be taken and the other will be left. **35**Two *women* will be grinding together: the one will be taken and the other left. **36**Two *men* will be in the field: the one will be taken and the other left.”

**37**And they answered and said to Him, “**Where, Lord**?”

So He said to them, “**Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be gathered together**.”

**Mathew 23**

**“Jerusalem Jerusalem”**

**29**“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! Because you build the tombs of the prophets and [[m](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2023&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23948m)]adorn the monuments of the righteous, **30**and say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.’

**31**“Therefore you are witnesses against yourselves that you are sons of those who murdered the prophets. **32**Fill up, then, the measure of your fathers’ *guilt.* **33**Serpents, brood[[n](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2023&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23952n)] of vipers! How can you escape the condemnation of hell? **34**Therefore, indeed, I send you prophets, wise men, and scribes: *some* of them you will kill and crucify, and *some* of them you will scourge in your synagogues and persecute from city to city, **35**that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. **36**Assuredly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.

**Jesus Laments over Jerusalem**

**37**“**O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones** those who are sent to her!

**How often** I wanted to **gather your children together**, as a hen **gathers her chicks under *her* wings**, **but you were not willing**!

**38**See! Your house is left to you **desolate**;

**39**for I say to you, **you shall see Me no more** till **you say**, ‘Blessed *is* He who comes in the name of the Lord!’ ”

**Mathew 24**

**Jesus Predicts the Destruction of the Temple**

**24**Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple. **2**And Jesus said to them, “Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not *one* stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down.”

**The Signs of the Times and the End of the Age**

**3**Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “**Tell us, when will these things be? And what *will be* the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”**

**3 Questions**

**4**And Jesus answered and said to them: “Take heed that no one deceives you. **5**For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many. **6**And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2024&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23964a)]all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet. **7**For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. **8**All these *are* the beginning of sorrows.

**9**“Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake. **10**And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. **11**Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. **12**And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. **13**But he who endures to the end shall be saved. **14And 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. (order)**

**The Great Tribulation**

**15**“**Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation**,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place” (**whoever reads, let him understand**), **16**“then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. **17**Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. **18**And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. **19**But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! **20**And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. **21**For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. **22**And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2024&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-23980c)]elect’s sake those days will be shortened.

**23**“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here *is* the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ do not believe *it.* **24**For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. **25**See, I have told you beforehand.

**26**“Therefore if they say to you, ‘Look, He is in the desert!’ do not go out; *or* ‘Look, *He is* in the inner rooms!’ do not believe *it.* **27**For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **28**For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together.

**The Coming of the Son of Man**

**29**“Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. **30**Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. **31**And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

**The Parable of the Fig Tree – At the Doors**

**32“Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer *is* near**. **33**So you also, when you see all these things, know that i**t is near—at the doors! 34**Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. **35**Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

**No One Knows the Day or Hour**

**36**“But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. **37**But as the days of Noah *were,* so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **38**For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, **39**and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **40**Then two *men* will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. **41**Two *women will be* grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. **42**Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. **43**But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. **44**Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

**The Faithful Servant and the Evil Servant – Due Season Food**

**45**“Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? **46**Blessed *is* that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. **47**Assuredly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all his goods. **48**But if that evil servant says in his heart, ‘My master is delaying [[j](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew%2024&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24006j)]his coming,’ **49**and begins to beat *his* fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, **50**the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for *him* and at an hour that he is not aware of, **51**and will cut him in two and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

**Mathew 25**

**The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins**

**25**“Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. **2**Now five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish. **3**Those who *were* foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, **4but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps**. **5But while the bridegroom was delayed**, they all slumbered and slept.

**6**“And **at midnight a cry was *heard****:* ‘Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!’ **7**Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. **8**And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us *some* of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ **9**But the wise answered, saying, ‘*No,* lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.’

**10**And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; **and the door was shut**.

**11**“Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us!’ **12**But he answered and said, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.’

**13**“**Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour**in which the Son of Man is coming.

**You Know !! – After two Days**

Matt 26:1-Matt 26:2 NKJV

Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, that He said to His disciples, “**You know that after two days is the Passover**, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified.”

**Luke 21**

**Jesus Predicts the Destruction of the Temple**

**5**Then, as some spoke of the temple, how it was [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25832c)]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.”

**The Signs of the Times and the End of the Age**

**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.’ [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25835d)]Therefore do not [[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25835e)]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.”

**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 [[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25841f)]answer; **15**for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or [[g](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25842g)]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.

**The Destruction of Jerusalem**

**20**“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. **21**Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those who are in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her. **22**For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. **23**But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people. **24**And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

**The Coming of the Son of Man**

**25**“And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; **26**men’s hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. **27**Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. **28**Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.”

**The Parable of the Fig Tree**

**29**Then He spoke to them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. **30**When they are already budding, you see and know for yourselves that summer is now near. **31**So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. **32**Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all things take place. **33**Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

**The Importance of Watching**

**34**“But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with [[h](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25861h)]carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly. **35**For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. **36**Watch therefore, and pray always that you may [[i](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2021&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-25863i)]be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

**37**And in the daytime He was teaching in the temple, but **at night He went out and stayed on the mountain called Olivet**. **38Then early in the morning all the people came to Him in the temple** to hear Him.

**Mark 13**

**Jesus Predicts the Destruction of the Temple**

**13**Then as He went out of the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, “Teacher, see what manner of stones and what buildings *are here!*”

**2**And Jesus answered and said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not *one* stone shall be left upon another, that shall not be thrown down.”

**The Signs of the Times and the End of the Age**

**3**Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, **Peter, James, John, and Andrew** asked Him privately, **4**“Tell us, when will these things be? And what *will be* the sign when all these things will be fulfilled?”

**5**And Jesus, answering them, began to say: “Take heed that no one deceives you. **6**For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am *He,*’ and will deceive many. **7**But when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be troubled; for *such things* must happen, but the end *is* not yet. **8**For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be earthquakes in various places, and there will be famines [[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24726a)]and troubles. These *are* the beginnings of [[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24726b)]sorrows.

**9**“But watch out for yourselves, for they will deliver you up to councils, and you will be beaten in the synagogues. You will [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24727c)]be brought before rulers and kings for My sake, for a testimony to them. **10**And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations. **11**But when they arrest *you* and deliver you up, do not worry beforehand, [[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24729d)]or premeditate what you will speak. But whatever is given you in that hour, speak that; for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. **12**Now brother will betray brother to death, and a father *his* child; and children will rise up against parents and cause them to be put to death. **13**And you will be hated by all for My name’s sake. But he who [[e](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24731e)]endures to the end shall be saved.

**The Great Tribulation**

**14**“So when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ [[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24732f)]spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not” (let the reader understand), “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. **15**Let him who is on the housetop not go down into the house, nor enter to take anything out of his house. **16**And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. **17**But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! **18**And pray that your flight may not be in winter. **19**For *in* those days there will be tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the creation which God created until this time, nor ever shall be. **20**And unless the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake, whom He chose, He shortened the days.

**21**“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here *is* the Christ!’ or, ‘Look, *He is* there!’ do not believe it. **22**For false christs and false prophets will rise and show signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the [[g](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark%2013&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24740g)]elect. **23**But take heed; see, I have told you all things beforehand.

**The Coming of the Son of Man**

**24**“But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; **25**the stars of heaven will fall, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. **26**Then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. **27**And then He will send His angels, and gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest part of earth to the farthest part of heaven.

**The Parable of the Fig Tree**

**28**“Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. **29**So you also, when you see these things happening, **know that it is near—at the doors!** **30**Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. **31**Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

**No One Knows the Day or Hour**

**32**“But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. **33**Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is. **34***It is* like **a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded the doorkeeper to watch**. **35**Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming—**in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning**— **36**lest, coming suddenly, he find you sleeping. **37And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!”**

**2 Peter 3**

**Reason for the second epistle of Peter**

**3**Beloved, I now write to you **this second epistle (in *both of* which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder)**, **2**that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, **3**knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, **4**and saying, “**Where is the promise of His coming?**

For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of creation.” **5**For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, **6**by which the world *that* then existed perished, being flooded with water. **7**But the heavens and the earth *which* are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

**8But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day *is* as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.**

**9The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, (of His second coming) as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish** but that all should come to repentance.

**The Day of the Lord**

**10**But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. **11**Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, **12looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God**, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? **13Nevertheless** we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

**Be Steadfast**

**14**Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; **15**and consider *that* the **longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation**—as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, **16**as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable *people* twist to their own destruction, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures.

**17You therefore, beloved, since you know *this* beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked**; **18**but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

To Him *be* the glory both now and forever. Amen.

**I Thessalonians – The Epistle of Separation / Holiness**

**Jesus delivers from the wrath to come**

1 Thessalonians 1

**9**For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, **10**and to **wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, *even* Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come**.

1 Thessalonians 2

**14**For you, brethren, became imitators of the **churches of God which are in Judea in Christ Jesus**. For **you also suffered the same things from your own countrymen**, just as they *did* from the **Judeans**, **15**who killed both the Lord Jesus and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they do not please God and are contrary to all men, **16**forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they may be saved, so as always to fill up *the measure of* their sins; **but wrath has come upon them to the uttermost.**

**No one should be shaken**

1 Thessalonians 2

**3**Therefore, when we could no longer endure it, we thought it good to be left in Athens alone, **2**and sent Timothy, our brother and minister of God, and our fellow laborer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you and encourage you concerning your faith, **3that no one should be shaken by these afflictions; for you yourselves know that we are appointed to this**. **4**For, in fact, we told you before when we were with you that we would suffer tribulation, just as it happened, and you know. **5**For this reason, when I could no longer endure it, I sent to know your faith, lest by **some means the tempter had tempted you, and our labor might be in vain**.

**Rapture is Holiness**

1 Thessalonians 3

**12**And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we *do* to you, **13**so that He may establish your hearts **blameless in holiness** before our God and Father **at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints**.

**The will of God, your sanctification**

1 Thessalonians 4

**4**Finally then, brethren, we urge and exhort in the Lord Jesus that you should abound more and more, just as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God; **2**for you know what commandments we gave you through the Lord Jesus.

**3**For **this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality**; **4**that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, **5**not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; **6**that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord *is* the avenger of all such, as we also forewarned you and testified. **7**For God did not call us to uncleanness, but in holiness. **8**Therefore he who rejects *this* does not reject man, but God, who has also given us His Holy Spirit. **Don’t reject this – This is the Holy Spirit instruction!**

**These necessary things**

Acts 15:28-Acts 15:29 NKJV
For **it seemed good to the Holy Spirit**, and to us, to lay upon you **no greater burden than these** **necessary things:** that you abstain from things offered to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.

**Increase More and More**

**9**But concerning brotherly love you have no need that I should write to you, for you yourselves are taught by God to love one another; **10**and indeed you do so toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. **But we urge you**, brethren, that you **increase more and more**; **11**that you also aspire to **lead a quiet life**, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you, **12**that you may walk properly toward those who are outside, and *that* **you may lack nothing**.

**Don’t be ignorant**

**13**But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. **14**For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.

**15**For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive *and* remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. **16For the Lord Himself will descend** from heaven with a **shout**, with the **voice of an archangel**, and with the **trumpet of God**. And the dead in Christ will rise first. **17**Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. **And thus we shall always be with the Lord**.

**18Therefore comfort one another with these words. Of the rapture**

**Times and seasons**

1 Thessalonians 5

**5**But concerning **the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you**.

**2**For you **yourselves know perfectly** that the **day of the Lord** so comes as a thief in the night.

**3**For when **they say**, “Peace and safety!” then sudden destruction comes upon **them**, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And **they shall not escape**.

**4But you, brethren,** are not in darkness, so that **this Day should overtake you** as a thief.

**5You are all sons of light and sons of the day**. **We are not of the night nor of darkness**.

**6**Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do,* but let us watch and be sober. **7**For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night.

**8**But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and *as* a **helmet the hope of salvation**. “The hope of being raptured / separated”

**Not appointed to wrath**

**9For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ**, **10**who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we **should live together with Him**.

**11**Therefore **comfort each other and edify one another**, just as you also are doing.

**Complete Separation !**

**23**Now may the **God of peace Himself sanctify you completely**; and may your **whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming** of our Lord Jesus Christ. **24He who calls you *is* faithful, who also will do *it.***

**27**I charge you by the Lord that **this epistle be read to all the holy brethren.**

**28**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

**2 Thessalonians 1**

**3**We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other, **4**so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and ]tribulations that you endure, **5***which is* manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer; **6since *it is* a righteous thing with God to repay with tribulation those who trouble you**, **7**and **to *give* you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels**, **8in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ**. **9**These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, **10when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe**, because our testimony among you was believed.

**2 Thessalonians 1**

**Let no one deceive you and take away your comfort**

**2**Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and **our gathering together to Him**, we ask you, **2**not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though **the day of Christ had come**.

**3Let no one deceive you by any means**; for *that Day will not come* **unless the falling away (departure) comes first**, and the **man of sin is revealed**, the son of perdition, **4**who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that **he sits as God in the temple of God**, **showing himself that he is God**.

**Your Departure**

Coverdale Bible of 1535
Let noman disceaue you by eny meanes. For the LORDE commeth not, excepte the departynge come first, and that that Man of synne be opened, euen the sonne of perdicion,

Tyndale Bible of 1526

Let no ma deceave you by eny meanes for the lorde commeth not excepte ther come a departynge fyrst and that that synfnll man be opened ye sonne of perdicion

Literal Standard Version
do not let anyone deceive you in any way, because if the departure may not come first, the man of lawlessness may [not] be revealed—the son of destruction,

**5**Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? **6**And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. **7**For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains *will do so* until He is taken out of the way. **8**And **then the lawless one will be revealed,** whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of **His coming.**

**9The coming of the *lawless one*** is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, **10**and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. **11**And for this reason God will send them **strong delusion**, that they should believe the lie, **12**that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

**Since they did not believe in the coming of Christ, they will be deceived into believing in the coming of the AntiChrist**

**Chosen from the beginning for separation**

**13**But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because **God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth**, **14**to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**15**Therefore, brethren, **stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught**, whether by word or our epistle.

**16**Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given *us* **everlasting consolation and good hope** by grace, **17comfort your hearts** and establish you in every good word and work.

**Separation in Revelation**

Rev 3:10-Rev 3:11 NKJV
Because you have kept My command to persevere, **I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth**. Behold, I am coming quickly! Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown.

Rev 3:20-Rev 3:21 NKJV
Behold, **I stand at the door and knock**. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. To him who overcomes **I will grant to sit with Me on My throne**, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

Rev 4:1-Rev 4:2 NKJV
After these things I looked, and **behold, a door standing open in heaven**. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, “Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this.” Immediately I was in the Spirit; and **behold, a throne set in heaven**, and One sat on the throne.

**Seals opened after rapture**

Rev 5:8-Rev 5:10 NKJV
Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying: “You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, **And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth.”**

**Departure followed by revealing of the Man of Sin**

Rev 6:1-Rev 6:2 NKJV
Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals; and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, “**Come and see**.” And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it had a bow; and **a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer**.

**Do not harm unless the saints are sealed**

Rev 7:1-Rev 7:3 NKJV
After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree. Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, saying, “**Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads**.”

**13**Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, “Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?”

**14**And I said to him, “Sir, you know.”

So he said to me, “These are the ones who **come out of** the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. **15Therefore they are before the throne of God**, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. **16**They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; **17**for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Rev 11:1-Rev 11:3 NKJV
Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, “**Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there**. But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. **And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months**. And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.”

**Revelation 12 woman**

**13**Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male *Child.* **14But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent**. **15**So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. **16**But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. **17**And the dragon was enraged with the woman, **and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring**, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

**Departure followed by revealing**

Rev 13

**The Beast**

**13 Then stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast** rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name. **2**Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like *the feet of* a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority. **3**And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast. **4**So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and **they worshiped the beast, saying**, “Who *is* like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?”

**First the Harvest and then the wrath**

Rev 14

**Reaping the Earth’s Harvest**

**14**Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat *One* like the **Son of Man**, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle. **15**And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, “Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come [[j](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation%2014&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-30942j)]for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.” **16**So **He who sat on the cloud** thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

**Reaping the Grapes of Wrath**

**17**Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

**18**And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, “Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe.” **19**So **the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth**, and threw *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God. **20**And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses’ bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs.

**Nations learn righteousness when judgements are manifest**

Rev 15

**15**Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous: seven angels having the **seven last plagues**, **for in them the wrath of God is complete**.

**2**And I saw *something* like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark *and* over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God. **3**They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying:

“Great and marvelous *are* Your works,
Lord God Almighty!
Just and true *are* Your ways,
O King of the saints!
**4**Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?
For *You* alone *are* holy.
**For all nations shall come and worship before You,
For Your judgments have been manifested.”**

**Come out**

Rev 18

Rev 18:4-Rev 18:5 NKJV
And I heard another voice from heaven saying, “**Come out of her, my people**, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.

**Two suppers – Lamb and God**

Rev 19:9 NKJV
Then he said to me, “Write: ‘Blessed are those who are called to the **marriage supper of the Lamb!**’ ” And he said to me, “These are the true sayings of God.”

Rev 19:17 NKJV
Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, “Come and gather together for the **supper of the great God**,

**Two Resurrections**

Rev 20:4 NKJV
And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them.

**5**But the **rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished**. **This *is* the first resurrection**. **6**Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the **first resurrection**.

Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

**End of the War**

**7**Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison **8**and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, **Gog and Magog**, to gather them together to battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea. **9**They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the **camp of the saints and the beloved city**. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. **10**The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet *are.* And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

**Final Separation from both the Devil and Death**

Rev 20:14-Rev 20:15 NKJV
Then **Death** and **Hades** were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

**The Temple and City Separated**

Rev 21:27 NKJV
**But there shall by no means enter it** anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s Book of Life.

**Do not seal**

Rev 22

**10**And he said to me, “**Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book**, **for the time is at hand.**

**11**He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still**; he who is holy, let him be holy still.”**

**12**“And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward *is* with Me, to give to every one according to his work. **13**I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End, the First and the Last.”

**14**Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.

**15But outside** *are* dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.

**Double clicking the plagues**

**Seventh Seal: Prelude to the Seven Trumpets**

**8**When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. **2**And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets. **3**Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. **4**And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel’s hand. **5**Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw *it* to the earth. **And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.**

**Seventh Trumpet: The Kingdom Proclaimed**

**15**Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The [[f](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation%2011&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-30888f)]kingdoms of this world have become *the kingdoms* of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!” **16**And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God, **17**saying:

“We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty,
The One who is and who was and who is to come,
Because You have taken Your great power and reigned.
**18**The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come,
And the time of the dead, that they should be judged,
And that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints,
And those who fear Your name, small and great,
And should destroy those who destroy the earth.”

**19**Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of [[i](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation%2011&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-30892i)]His covenant was seen in His temple. **And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.**

**Seventh Bowl: The Earth Utterly Shaken**

**17**Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” **18And there were noises and thunderings and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake**, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth. **19**Now the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath. **20**Then every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. **21**And **great hail from heaven** fell upon men, *each hailstone* about the weight of a talent. Men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, since that plague was exceedingly great.

**Ten Kings / Ten Nations / Ten Horns**

Rev 17:12-Rev 17:14 NKJV
“**The ten horns which you saw are ten kings** who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. **These will make war with the Lamb**, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful.”

Gen 15:17-Gen 15:21 NKJV
And it came to pass, when the sun went down and it was dark, that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces. On the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying: “To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates— the **Kenites**, the **Kenezzites**, the **Kadmonites**, the **Hittites**, the **Perizzites**, the **Rephaim**, the **Amorites**, the **Canaanites**, the **Girgashites**, and the **Jebusites**.”

Psalms 83

For behold, Your enemies make a **tumult**;
And those who hate You have lifted up their head.
**3**They have taken crafty counsel against Your people,
And consulted together against Your sheltered ones.
**4**They have said, “Come, and let us cut them off from *being* a nation,
That the name of Israel may be remembered no more.”

**5**For they have consulted together with one [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2083&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-15247c)]consent;
They form a confederacy against You:
**6**The tents of **Edom** and the **Ishmaelites**;
**Moab** and the **Hagrites**;
**7Gebal**, **Ammon**, and **Amalek**;
**Philistia** with the inhabitants of **Tyre**;
**8Assyria** also has joined with them;
They have helped the children of Lot. *Selah*

Ezekiel 38

**38**Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, **2**“Son of man, set your face against **Gog**, of the land of **Magog**, the prince of **Rosh**, **Meshech**, and **Tubal**, and prophesy against him, **3**and say, ‘Thus says the Lord God: “Behold, I *am* against you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal. **4**I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed, a great company *with* bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords. **5Persia**, **Ethiopia**, and **Libya** are with them, all of them *with* shield and helmet; **6Gomer** and all its troops; the house of **Togarmah** *from* the far north and all its troops—many people *are* with you.

**7**“Prepare yourself and be ready, you and all your companies that are gathered about you; and be a guard for them. **8**After many days you will be visited. **In the latter years you will come into the land of those brought back from the sword *and* gathered from many people on the mountains of Israel, which had long been desolate; they were brought out of the nations, and now all of them dwell safely**. **9**You will ascend, coming like a **storm**, covering the land like a cloud, you and all your troops and many peoples with you

Rev 22:20-Rev 22:21 NKJV

**He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming quickly.” Amen.**

**Even so, come, Lord Jesus!**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.**