# Lesson 29

Global History Towards The End | Matthew 24

## START MEETING

- What strikes you most in this chapter?
- Best approach to the Olivet Discourse is to do a comparative study of Mt 24 with Mk 13 and Lk 21 and also refer to the apocalyptic literature in books like Daniel and Revelation.

#### **READ AND DISCUSS BIBLE**

1. How does Matthew 24 add to Mark 13? Are there any significant differences? Luke was written especially for Gentiles. It is less detailed but arguably clearer than Matthew and Mark in terms of presentation. In what ways is Luke 21 clearer than Matthew 24?

2. What can we learn about the 'Abomination that causes Desolation' from Daniel. (The references are 9:27, 11:31 and 12:11; the three times it is mentioned in his book)

3. How do the first five signs in Mt 24 (as I listed them in my sermon) correspond with the five seals in chapter 6 of the book Revelation?

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## **PASSAGE FOCUS**

# **Matthew Chapter 24**

There's a prophecy here regarding the desolation of Jerusalem and the temple which has not been fulfilled yet. Israel did not welcome Jesus as their Savour and Lord in AD 70 and He did not come back then. We wait for His return during the End-times!

### STUDY GUIDE

#### **LISTEN**

Listen to this passage's sermon before you begin the study. If you missed it, you can watch the recording on the CPC Website or Youtube Channel.

#### REFLECT

Take some time to read through the passage and reflect on the questions.

## **SHARE**

Answer the questions and share with your Life Group.

4.	What are the arguments for and against the historical and futuristic interpretation of the Olivet Discourse? (It's also helpful to refer my sermon here.) If you think it's both, what make you say so?

5. Make a list of the exhortations in view of Jesus' Return in Mt 24, Mk 13 and Lk 21. (The parables in Mt 25 are also related to Mt 24 but we'll leave these for next week) Can you summarise these exaltations in a short paragraph or a few points for easier memory?

## **CLOSE MEETING**

• It is easy to simply conclude that Jesus' Return is sooner than before. But do you think Jesus is coming back during our lifetime? Why, or why not?

• Are you ready to meet him?