

## Jesus And Jerusalem

### **Matthew 23:37-39, 24:1-3**

Intro:

- A. **Jesus loved the city of Jerusalem.**
  - 1. It had not been receptive to God's men.
  - 2. They had killed the prophets. **V.37**
  - 3. They had stoned God's messengers.
  - 4. Jesus longed to gather them to Himself and feed them and protect them as a hen would her brood.
  - 5. They stubbornly refused His offer.
  
- B. **The city of peace would reject the Prince of Peace and would bring God's wrath upon themselves. V.38**
  - 1. Their house would be left desolate.
  - 2. desolate = ερημος = "deserted," "waste."
  
- C. **Christ would not offer Himself to them again until the Millennium.**
  - 1. "Ye shall not see me henceforth..." **v.39**
  - 2. "...Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord."

#### I. The Disciples And The Temple.

- A. **They were proud of the temple.**
  - 1. "...and his disciples came to him for to show him the buildings of the temple." **V.1**
  - 2. shew = επιδεικνυμι = to show upon, to exhibit as a specimen, to show off."
  - 3. Mark 13:1 - "...master, see what manner of stones and what buildings are here"!
  - 4. Luke 21:5 - "And some spake of the temple how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts..."
  
- B. **Jesus tells them of the buildings destruction.**
  - 1. "See you not all these things"? **v.2**
  - 2. Mark 13:2 - "...Seest thou these great buildings"?
  - 3. "...There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down."

#### II. The Disciples Question Jesus.



- A. **And as he sat upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying..." v.3**
1. privately = καταιδίαν = "one's own, by one's self," "a part from others."
  2. "...Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately..." Mark 13:3
- B. **"...Tell us, when shall these things be"?**
1. tell = ειπον = "to utter definite words"
  2. "to communicate by words."
- C. **"...what shall be the sign of thy coming?"**
1. sign = σημειον = "a signal," "an ensign," "a flag," "a sign by which anything is distinguished."
  2. coming = παρουσια = "presence," "arrival."
- D. **"...and of the end of the world"?**
1. end = συντελεια = "the bringing of many things to one end," "the completion of a plan"
  2. world = αιων = "the unbounded time, past or future, in which the history of the world is completed"

