

Signs of the Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ

And some encouraging thoughts

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1 The Gospel of the Kingdom will be preached to every nation, and then the end will come. Matthew 24:14, Mark 13:10. The fullness of the Gospel, Romans 15:18, 19, and as in Luke 7:22.

2 A great falling away from the faith, due I think to the increase of lawlessness and deception and persecution. Matthew 24:9, 10, 11, 12, 2Thessalonians 2:3.

3 The man of sin appears, the antichrist, who exercises authority over a large region of the earth, but not all people to the same degree. Daniel 11:21 – 45.

His influence continues for 3.5 years, or 42 months, or 1260 days, or times, time, and half a time. 1John 2:18 – 23, 2Thessalonians 2:3, Revelation 13, Matthew 24:15 – 28, Mark 13:14, Revelation 11, Revelation 12, Daniel 11:31.

4 Conditions on the earth will be as in the days of Noah and of Lot. Matthew 24:37 – 39, Luke 17:26 – 30, 2Peter 2:5 - 9. Read in Genesis about the conditions in the days of Noah and Lot: Genesis 6 and following, and Genesis 19.

5 The reestablishment of the nation of Israel, on May 14th, 1948, foretold many times in the Old Testament, is an amazing miracle. From AD 70, when Jerusalem was totally destroyed by the Roman army under the general Titus, the nation of Israel ceased to exist. The Jewish people were scattered among all the nations of the world but remained an identifiable people without a homeland, until 1948.

Without the Jewish people we would not have a Bible, God's truth, His laws, the prophets, or a Saviour or the Gospel of salvation. Jesus prophesied that Jerusalem would be trodden down by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. Luke 21:24.

The nation of Israel came into existence in one day! And this is mentioned in Isaiah 66: 8.

The nation of Israel had to be restored before the Second Coming of the Lord, because Jesus is returning to Jerusalem and Mount Zion, from where he will reign over the whole earth for 1000 years. Hebrews 12:22 -24, Zechariah 14:4, 5 9, Revelation 20:1 - 6. Zion is one of the Scriptural names for God's people, both natural as the nation of Israel, and spiritually as the Church.

6 There will be signs in the sun, the moon and in the stars. About 2 years ago there were blood red moons at Passover and Tabernacles.

Some people said that these indicated a message from God about Israel.

I know a man who saw a blood red moon rise in Tauranga, New Zealand. Luke 21:25, Mark 13:24, 25, Matthew 24:29.

7 Increase of evil throughout the earth. 1Timothy 4:1, 2, 2Timothy 3:1 – 4.

8 Increase of violent weather conditions. Matthew 24:7, 8, Romans 8:19 – 22.

9 The sign in the heaven of the coming of the Son of Man, for all people to see.

Matthew 24:30, Luke 21:27, Mark 13:26, Revelation 6:12 – 17. This could be a reference to Revelation 19:11.

10 People will call good evil, and evil good. Isaiah 5:20.

At the coming of Jesus, all believers will be gathered to Him. There is only one coming of Jesus at the end of this age. 1Thessalonians 4:13 – 18, Matthew 24:31, Mark 13:27.

To be able to survive through all this and be with the Lord in His Kingdom, Jesus gave us Luke 21:36 and Revelation 2:10.

A key word for the last times in Revelation is OVERCOME. Revelation 21:7. Read the letters to the seven Churches.

God's wrath and fiery judgment will not fall upon the righteous believers in Jesus, but only on those who reject Him as their Lord and Saviour. 1Thessalonians 5:9 – 11.

Noah was kept safe in the Ark, and Jesus is our Ark. Think about Psalm 46:11.

Lot was taken out of Sodom before the wrath and judgment of God fell. Genesis 19.

The Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ will not take believers in Him by surprise, 1Thessalonians 5:1 – 6, because we know the times and the seasons. 1John 2:27, Luke 12:54 -56, 19:42 – 44.

One last word from Jesus: Watch, Watch, Watch, and be ready! Mark 13:33 – 37.