



Series: Unexpected Messiah- The 11th Hour

Passage Matthew 24:9-22

Title: Terrifying Times for Planet Earth

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Discussion Starter – The bible clearly teaches that the world won't go on forever. Do you find comfort in Jesus' description of the "end of the age"? Considering this fact, how has this impacted where you are investing your treasures?

The Beginning of Sorrows, (Matthew 24:4-8)

- These events, (war, famine, pestilence, and earthquakes) have been common throughout history. What is the uncommon condition we see in these events in our world today and what do they mean?
- How can we use these reported events in nature to share the gospel with others?
- **The Great Tribulation, (Matthew 24:9-22)**
- Reference John 16:33, ("in the world you shall have tribulation..."). What is different about the Great Tribulation compared to the ones we are supposed to face as Christians?
- What is Jesus' promise to us during our tribulations? How is this promise related to the Great Tribulation?
- Who do you think the "you" mentioned in verse 9 is and why?
- Which of the behaviors mentioned in verse 9-13 are you noticing are on the rise today?
- What 3 purposes will be accomplished during this time of judgement?
 - When and how will God's promise to Israel be fulfilled? Reference Genesis 12:2, 13:14-18, 26:3-5, and 2 Samuel 7:12-17
 - When and how is our willful rebellion against God paid?
 - When and how will we be freed from sin?
- What significant event transpires and marks the beginning of the Great Tribulation? Read Revelation 12:7-12
- Who is the Anti-Christ and how does he rise to power? What does Anti-Christ mean? Read Revelation 13:2
- What are the 2 goals that the Anti-Christ seeks to achieve? How and when are they exercised during the great tribulation?
- When and why will Israel's eyes be opened?
- What is the mystery behind Anti-Semitism?
- What event marks the end of the Great Tribulation?
- How does having a detailed understanding of this terrible period history impact you as a Christian?