**Matthew 24**

1. **Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple (verses 1-3)**
   1. Perhaps in response what Jesus said in verse 38, the disciples point out the beauty of the temple buildings to Jesus.
   2. Jesus predicted that the temple would be destroyed “not one stone will be left here upon another”
   3. In verse 3, the disciples in response to this prediction would ask 2 questions: (1) “Tell us when will these things be? (2) And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”
2. **Jesus provides signs (verses 4-14)**
   1. The beginning of sorrows
      1. False Messiahs will arise, wars & rumors of wars.
      2. Nation will rise against nations and kingdom against kingdom, and natural disasters will occur.
   2. The disciples will be persecuted for by all nations for Jesus’s namesake.
   3. People will betray each other, false prophets will rise up and lawlessness will abound.
   4. The Gospel will be preached throughout the world
3. **The abomination of desolation (verses 15-31)**
   1. Jesus speaks of the sign the disciples are to look out for, which is the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel (Daniel 9:27;11:31;12:11)
   2. Jesus provides instructions for what those in Judea should do.
   3. This tribulation would be unlike any the world has ever seen.
   4. False messiahs and prophets would appear.
   5. The coming judgement on Israel would be a clear and unmistakable sign.
4. **Jesus now answers the time question (verses 32-44)**
   1. The parable of the fig tree
   2. This generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place.
   3. No one knows the time, except the Father (Mark 13:32)
   4. Watch and be ready.
5. **The parable of the faithful and evil servant (verses 45-51)**