

# Signs of the Second Coming

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**When the disciples came to Jesus with the question, “When shall these things be and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?” (Mathew 24:3) what was His answer?**

Note: The disciples thought the fall of Jerusalem and the end of the world were simultaneous events. Therefore Christ gave the conditions they could look for which would announce both of these events. We are concerned only with the conditions that foretell Christ’s return to earth. The signs of Christ’s coming will appear in the sky, on the earth, and in the hearts of men and women.

“And there shall be \_\_\_\_\_ in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory” (Luke 21:25-27).

**What three signs were to appear in the sky before the return of Jesus?**

“Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be \_\_\_\_\_, and the moon shall not \_\_\_\_\_ her light, and the stars shall \_\_\_\_\_ from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory” (Mathew 24:29, 30).

**When did the signs in heaven occur?**

Jesus accurately predicted that “But in those \_\_\_\_\_, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light” (Mark 13:24).

Note: How correct His prediction! The first sign in the sky was to transpire after the days of persecution had ended and yet “in those days” or just before 1798. May 19, 1780, the sun was darkened. (For 24 hours there was complete darkness). This is a record in history. That same night the moon took on the appearance of blood. And as predicted the greatest meteoric shower ever to be recorded in history was observed on the night of November 13, 1833.

**What were to be the conditions on the earth before Christ’s second coming?**

Note: Conditions of the earth fall into five categories: political, economic, scientific, religious and physical.

**A. What would be the political conditions?**

“And ye shall hear of \_\_\_\_\_ and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against \_\_\_\_\_, and kingdom against \_\_\_\_\_: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places” (Mathew 24:6, 7). Read also Revelation 11:18 and Joel 3:9-14.

**B. How does God describe the worldwide economic situation?**

“Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches are \_\_\_\_\_, and your garments are moth-eaten. Your gold and silver is cankered; and the \_\_\_\_\_ of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days” (James 5:1-4).

**C. What does the Bible predict concerning scientific discoveries?**

“But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be \_\_\_\_\_ (Daniel 12:4).

**D. What great signs will there be in the religious world?**

“This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, \_\_\_\_\_, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of \_\_\_\_\_ more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but \_\_\_\_\_ the power thereof: from such turn away” (2 Timothy 3:1-5).

“And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you...And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many...For there shall arise \_\_\_\_\_ Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect” (Mathew 24:4, 11, 24).

**E. What can we expect will be taking place in the physical world?**

“For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, in divers places” (Mathew 24:7).

**Conclusion**

“Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.” Luke 21:26. When these world conditions are observed there is the indication that the coming of the Lord is “even at the doors.” Read Mathew 24:32-34.

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