

The Sign of the Last Day

Matthew 24:1-14 (NKJV)

¹Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple. ²And Jesus said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down." ³Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?" ⁴And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. ⁵For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. ⁶And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. ⁷For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. ⁸All these are the beginning of sorrows. ⁹"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake. ¹⁰And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. ¹¹Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. ¹²And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³But he who endures to the end shall be saved. ¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

Introduction

In understanding this passage, we have to be very careful not to read into the passage more than Christ

was saying, nor to miss what He was saying.

Christ, however, gave no timetable. He did not say when the three events would occur, signs that point toward His return, toward the end of Jerusalem, and the end of the world.

There will be a period known as "the beginning of sorrows" (v. 8) and the abomination of desolation known as "the great tribulation," such as was not since the beginning of the world (v. 21).

The Event Sign of Christ's Coming

1. False Messiah

- There will not be a few, but many false messiahs.
- There will be persons who claim to be the Messiah, the Messenger of God to the world. They will be "pseudo-Christ" or "Anti-Christ."
- The false messiahs "shall deceive many" not a few, but many will believe and follow the false messiahs, believing they are the way, the truth, and the life of God.

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Note:

Every generation has its false messiahs. Each one claiming to be the special messenger of God, the deliverer of the human race. Every false religion and sect of every generation has its false messiahs, but they shall be many as the last days approach.

- World Violence** – The second sign of the end time
 - Believers "shall

hear" of so much violence it will sound as though the world is coming apart. Believers can be troubled over the news. b. Christ said "be not troubled," disturbed, frightened, confused, or under commotion. World violence can disturb and frighten, Christ says our hearts are to be fixed upon God.

Matthew 10:28

And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

- World violence "must come to pass." Violence does not happen because God wills or destines it to be, but because of the passions and evil of men's heart.

James 4:1-3

¹Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members?

²You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures.

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ENSURING WELL-MAINTAINED FACILITIES

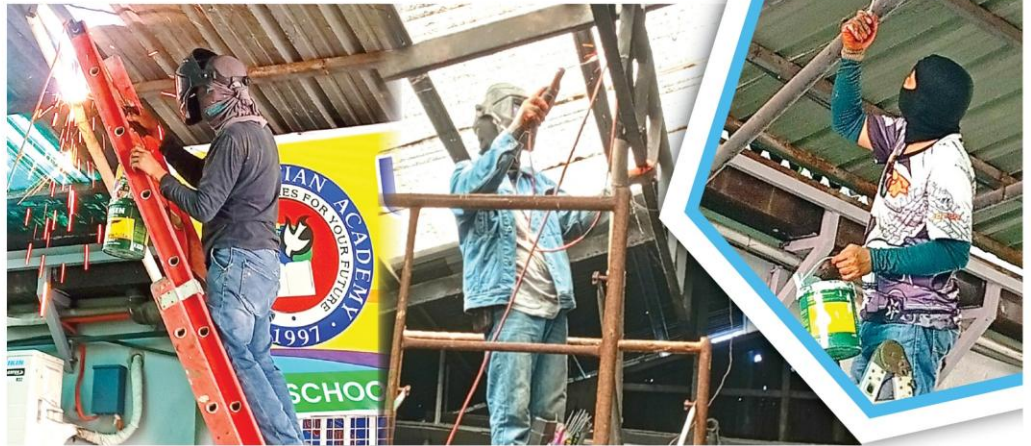
United Christian Academy (UCA) was built many years ago with a meaningful purpose—to provide quality education and nurture the character of its students. The school's structure serves as the physical space where students and staff carry out their day-to-day activities and learning experiences.

That is why the school also needs to be well-maintained and improved for better use. Last week, UCA underwent roof renovation to make the building more durable and functional. The goal of this project is to strengthen the roof so that it will last longer and effectively protect everyone from rain and other weather conditions.

UCA also prioritizes the safety and security of everyone inside the campus. By investing in maintenance and improvements, the school ensures a safe, comfortable, and conducive environment for learning and growth.



The holes in some parts of the roof were carefully repaired, and the metal supports were also painted. The steel beams were welded to ensure stronger support and stability.



The newly repaired roof is now durable and has been restored for a better purpose, to guarantee students' safe learning environment.



UCF UPDATE

CERTIFIED TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES



As part of the growing ministry of United Christian Fellowship (UCF), we are delighted to announce that our bevoled pastors, Rev. Morrell Estrellado and Rev. Ricardo Jacob, are now officially registered to officiate weddings in our church!

Last October 20–21 (Monday and Tuesday), representatives from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) visited UCF Parañaque to conduct interviews as part of the registration process for the Certificate of Registration to Solemnize Marriages. We are grateful for their time and assistance in making this milestone possible. With a joyful heart, we celebrate this wonderful news.

Truly, UCF is a church that is continuously used by the Lord, serving through many ministries that meets the needs of His people. Praise the Lord for His favor and goodness!



The interview was conducted by PSA Registration Officers Ms. Jeselle P. Guibao and Ms. Willa Joy A. Gallero.



MT. TABOR UPDATE

BUHAY NA KINASUMPUNGAN NG DIYOS

Ang Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center ay patuloy na ginagamit at pinalalawak ng Diyos para sa makabuluhang plano na Kaniyang ipinapagawa sa Kaniyang mga lingkod na sumusunod sa Kaniya.

Laging may kabuluhan ang oras na nilalaan ng Kaniyang mga anak sa panambahan. Ang Diyos ang Siyang nakakaalam ng kanilang puso at pagsisikap sa pagtugon sa kanilang tawag ng paglilingkod.

Salamat sa Diyos sa oportunidad at pagkakataon na Kaniyang binubuksan upang ang kanilang buhay ay maging kagamit-gamit.

WATER BAPTISM

Isang kagalan na masilayan na may mga bagong anak ng Diyos na tumugon sa tawag Niya at nagdesisyong sumunod sa Kaniya. Tunay nga na walang makapipigil sa nais Niya na mangyari sa buhay ng Kaniyang mga kinasumpungan.



Welcome to the
FAMILY OF GOD

Bro. Gerardo D. Andal
Bro. William Ben I. Cortez
Sis. Anelyn E. Cribé
Bro. Christopher C. Mandanas



²³ And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, ²⁴ knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for[a] you serve the Lord Christ.

Colossians 3:23-24
(NKJV)

AGRITOURISM

Isang makabuluhan at produktibong araw ang ginanapan ng mga boluntaryo at manggagawa sa UCF Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center. Ngayong buwan ay muling sinimulan ang panibagong cycle ng mga pananim sa greenhouse. Nagtulong-tulong ang kapatiran upang ihanda ang mga itatanim sa punla.



Bakas sa kanilang mga ngiti ang kagalakan sa kanilang mga puso na sila ay makiisa sa mga gawaing ikalalago pa ng ministryo ng UCF.



Magmula sa paglagay ng lupa sa maliliit na paso, pag-transplant ng mga seedling at paglagay nito sa bawat galis ng greenhouse ay naging masinop ang bawat isa sa pagtatanim ng Chinese pechay, mustasa at iceberg lettuce. Sa kanilang pagtutulungan ay naging mas mabilis ang proseso nito.

MGA BAGONG PANANIM SA MT. TABOR GREENHOUSE

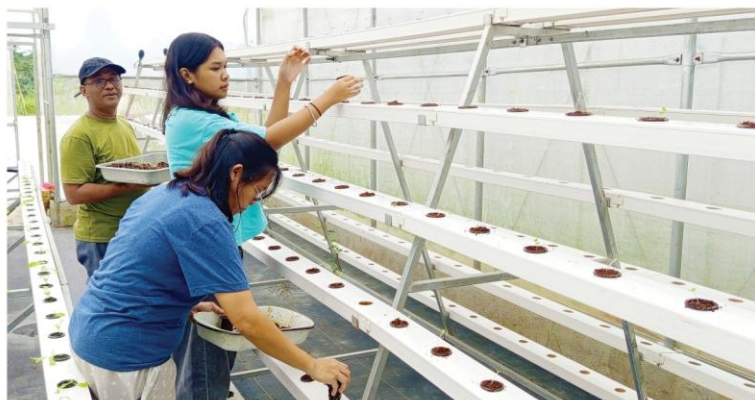
1 Chinese Pechay



2 Mustasa



3 Iceberg Lettuce



Inaasahan na pagkatapos ng mahigit isang buwan ay mamumunga ang mga halamang itanim sa greenhouse. Ang bawat ani rito ay magiging kapakinabangan sa panambahan ng UCF at ng mga miyembro nito.



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Acts 4:12
(NKJV)

Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF INFLUENZA



WHAT IS INFLUENZA?



It refers to a **clinical diagnosis** used when a person shows symptoms **similar to those of influenza (the flu).**



COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

These are common caused by various viruses or bacteria that lead to infections of the **NOSE, THROAT, AND/OR LUNGS.**



The Department of Health (DOH) recently recorded

6,457



Influenza-like Illness (ILI) cases from September 28 to October 11, 2025.



WHAT ARE ITS COMMON SYMPTOMS?



Fever ($\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$)



Cough



Colds



Sore Throat



Fatigue & Chills



Headache



Vomiting



Diarrhea

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), it is an infection accompanied by a **fever not lower than 38°C and a cough that started within the past ten (10) days.**

What should you do if you have symptoms?



Stay at home and avoid close contact with other people.



Avoid people who are considered "high risk," such as those who are 65 years old and above, people with existing illnesses (like diabetes, asthma, or heart disease), pregnant women, and children below four (4) years old.



Take medicine for fever, such as paracetamol.



Make sure to get enough rest and sleep.



Drink plenty of water and eat nutritious food.

Immediately consult the nearest health facility if you experience difficulty breathing, fever higher than 40°C , or if you have other medical conditions (comorbidities).



How to avoid getting infected?



Avoid crowded places.



Cover one's mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.



Stay in places with proper air ventilation.



Wear masks indoor and outdoor.



Ensure that vaccinations are complete and up to date.



Always wash your hands and use alcohol-based sanitizers.

Amidst of the threats of different sicknesses such as this, let us put in our hearts the promises of God—that He will protect and heal His children for He is able and faithful.

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 14:6 (NKJV)

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d. World violence can so dominate the news that man is led to believe the end is at hand, but Christ warned the end is not yet, take heed that no man deceives you.

2 Thessalonians 2:3

Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,

Matthew 24:7-8

⁷For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. ⁸All these are the beginning of sorrows.

3. The Natural Disaster

a. Famine

Acts 11:28-30

²⁸Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar. ²⁹Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. ³⁰This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

Revelations 6:5-6

⁵When He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come and see." So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. ⁶And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine."

b. Pestilence

At the end time, pestilence will also

be one of the terrible sufferings.

Revelations 6:8

So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him. And power was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth.

c. Earthquake

Unbelievable destruction and death are sometimes caused by earthquakes, and were also a sign of coming destruction.

- Earthquakes will occur in many places during the last days of the Earth.

Revelations 6:12

I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.

Revelations 11:12-13, 19

¹²And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them. ¹³In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.

¹⁹Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.

Revelations 16:17-19

¹⁷Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" ¹⁸And there were noises and thunderings and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth. ¹⁹Now the great city was divided into three parts, and

the cities of the nations fell. And great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

4. Persecution

The fourth sign of the end time is that of severe religious persecution.

Christ says two things:

a. What the persecution will be

1. Affliction

2 Corinthians 11:23-25

²³Are they ministers of Christ?—I speak as a fool—I am more: in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequently, in deaths often. ²⁴From the Jews five times I received forty stripes minus one. ²⁵Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep;

2. Killing

Acts 7:59

And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

Acts 12:2

Then he killed James the brother of John with the sword.

3. Hatred by all nation

b. Why believers are persecuted

- For My sake

Matthew 10:22

And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But he who endures to the end will be saved.

a. The world opposes the believer's standard of true godliness.

1 John 2:14-15

¹⁴I have written to you, fathers, Because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I have written to you, young men, Because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, And you have overcome the wicked one. ¹⁵Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone

loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

b. The world opposes the believer's message of repentance and self-denial.

Matthew 19:21-22

²¹Jesus said to him, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." ²²But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Matthew 19:23-26

²³Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁵When His disciples heard it, they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" ²⁶But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

c. The world opposes the believer's life of purity and justice.

Galatians 5:19-21

¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: [a]adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, ²¹envy, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

5. Apostasy "betrayal and division"

a. Many shall be offended (fall away). Prosecution shall cause to drive to turn from professing Christ.

Philippians 1:29

For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe

in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,

2 Corinthians 4:11

For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

Matthew 13:21

yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles.

b. Many shall betray one another.

Matthew 10:21

"Now brother will deliver up brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents and cause them to be put to death.

6. False teachers and leaders

The sixth sign is the rise of false leaders offering "false hope."

Two Points

a. Many false prophets shall rise.

- False teachers taught their own ideas instead of the truth of Christ.

b. Many shall be deceived.

- False teachers promise false hope and savior that is contrary to the Scripture.

1 John 2:18-19

¹⁸Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. ¹⁹They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.

1 John 4:1-3

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the

flesh is of God, ³and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.

7. Apostasy – The great falling away

"Sin shall increase and love shall grow cold."

1. Iniquity shall abound.

Matthew 24:12

And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.

2 Timothy 3:1-5

¹But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: ²For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, ³unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, ⁴traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

2 Thessalonians 2:1-12

¹Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, ²not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come. ³Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, ⁴who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. ⁵Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time.

⁷For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. ⁸And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming. ⁹The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, ¹⁰and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. ¹¹And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, ¹²that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

2. The love of many shall grow cold.

- a. Self-seeking and worldliness
- b. Dissension and division
- c. Persecution
- d. Ignorance and weak faith
- e. Lawlessness and immorality

Revelations 3:16

So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth.

8. Endurance – Salvation

a. The believer who stands firm through persecution and hatred, betrayal and division, false teaching and deception, lawlessness and immorality, but keeps fervent love shall be saved.

Revelations 2:10

Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Romans 2:7-9

⁷eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality;

⁸but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness—indignation and wrath, ⁹tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek;

Philippians 1:29

For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,

1 Peter 4:11-12

¹¹If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. ¹²Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

9. Evangelism – Christ gives five significant things.

1. His gospel is of the kingdom.

Matthew 19:23-24

²³Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,

2 Corinthians 5:19

that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

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For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

1 Peter 2:25
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2. His gospel is unstoppable.

Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

3. His gospel shall be triumphant.

Romans 10:18

But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed: "Their sound has gone out to all the earth, And their words to the ends of the world."

Colossians 1:6

which has come to you, as it has also in all the world, and is bringing forth fruit, as it is also among you since the day you heard and knew the grace of God in truth;

Colossians 1:23

if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.

4. His gospel is a witness.

1 John 5:11-12

¹¹And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹²He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Mark 16:16

He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.

5. His gospel shall be preached in all the world before the end comes.

Luke 13:24

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Challenge

Everyone should know that the way of God is the only way. Every nation who walks on its own way without God is doomed.

Psalms 9:17

The wicked shall be turned into hell, And all the nations that forget God.

Proverbs 14:34

Righteousness exalts a nation, But sin is a reproach to any people.

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

Note:

We must be very, very careful when looking into the secret things of God, into the prophecies of the end times. Christ gives us a special warning.

- Take heed that no man deceive you.

2 Thessalonians 2:3

Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,

- Let no man deceive you by any means.

Matthew 24:11

Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many.

SERMON NOTES

Write the points to remember from the sermon as you seek God in your life.

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