

Signs of the End Times

DAY:

Monday

TITLE:

He Is Coming -- Are You Ready?

KEY VERSE:

Matthew 24:44 -- "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

REFLECTION:

I want to ask you something straight from my heart this morning -- are you ready? Not just intellectually aware that Jesus is returning, but truly, personally, deeply ready? I am not talking about perfection. None of us have arrived at that. But I am talking about the direction of your life. Are you moving toward Jesus or drifting away from him? The signs are all around us. Israel is a nation again. Lawlessness is rising. The gospel is reaching the ends of the earth through technology we never imagined. Every single one of these things tells me we are closer than we have ever been. So today, I want you to settle something in your spirit. Do not wait for the trumpet to sound before you get serious about living for Jesus. That moment will come faster than you think.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, I want to be ready when you come. Search my heart today and show me anything that needs to change. I choose to live for you, starting right now.

DAILY ACTION:

Take five quiet minutes today to honestly ask yourself whether your daily life reflects someone who is expecting Jesus to return soon, and write down one specific area where you want to draw closer to him.

DAY:

Tuesday

TITLE:

The Miracle of Israel

KEY VERSE:

Isaiah 66:8 -- "Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day? Or shall a nation be born at once?"

REFLECTION:

When I travel to Israel, something happens in my spirit that I cannot fully put into words. You are standing on the ground where God planted a people, a language, a promise -- and after 2,000 years of silence, he brought it all back to life. May 14th, 1948, Israel became a nation again. That has never happened in all of human history. No nation dead for 2,000 years has ever been resurrected. I believe it is second only to the resurrection of Jesus Christ himself. It is not a political story. It is a God story. And it tells me that the same God who keeps his promises to Israel keeps his promises to you. What he speaks over a life, he brings to pass. What he declares over a nation, he fulfills. His word does not return to him empty. Let that truth settle deep in your soul today.

PRAYER:

Father, thank you for being a God who keeps every promise. What you said about Israel you have done, and I trust that what you have spoken over my life you will also do. Strengthen my faith today.

DAILY ACTION:

Read Ezekiel 37:1-14 slowly today, and let the picture of dry bones coming to life remind you of one area in your own life where you are trusting God to bring restoration.

DAY:

Wednesday

TITLE:

When Love Grows Cold

KEY VERSE:

Matthew 24:12 -- "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold."

REFLECTION:

I see it happening all around us, and honestly, I have felt its pull myself. When the world gets loud and dark and confusing, something in us wants to pull back, go quiet, and stop caring quite so much. That is exactly what Jesus warned about. He said lawlessness would cause the love of many to grow cold. Not the love of a few -- the love of many. That means good people, sincere people, people who once burned bright for God. Offense is one of the greatest tools the enemy uses to cool us down. Someone says something, a church hurts you, life disappoints you, and little by little the fire dims. I am telling you today, do not let your love grow cold. Fan that flame. Get back to the Word, get back to worship, get back to community. The days are too short and the stakes are too high to coast.

PRAYER:

Lord, guard my heart against offense and coldness today. Keep my love for you burning strong, and let that love overflow into the people around me. I refuse to quit on you.

DAILY ACTION:

Reach out today to one person in your church or small group whom you have not connected with in a while, and simply let them know you are thinking of them and praying for them.

DAY:

Thursday

TITLE:

A Mind Surrendered to Truth

KEY VERSE:

Romans 1:28 -- "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting."

REFLECTION:

This verse used to seem extreme to me. But the longer I live and the more I watch what is happening in the

world, the more I understand it. When people choose -- and I want you to notice that it is a choice -- when people choose not to retain the knowledge of God, something shifts. The conscience grows dull. What was once clearly wrong becomes acceptable, then celebrated. I am not saying this to be harsh. I am saying it because I care about where people end up. The answer is not more debate or political argument. The answer is the Word of God preached with love and power, because the Word still has the ability to break through the hardest heart. That includes mine and yours. I want to keep my mind surrendered to what God says is true, even when the culture around me screams otherwise. Truth does not bend to opinion.

PRAYER:

Father, I surrender my mind to your Word today. Where I have drifted toward what the world calls normal, bring me back to what you call righteous. Keep my thinking anchored in truth.

DAILY ACTION:

Identify one area where cultural thinking has quietly influenced how you see a biblical issue, and spend ten minutes reading what Scripture actually says about it.

DAY:

Friday

TITLE:

The Gospel Is Still Going

KEY VERSE:

Matthew 24:14 -- "And 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."

REFLECTION:

I want to end this week with something that fills me with genuine hope. Jesus said the end would not come until the gospel had been preached to all the nations. And I am telling you, we are closer to that moment than we have ever been. Through smartphones, through the internet, through translation technology, the gospel is reaching places that were once completely dark. There are still around 3 billion people who have never heard the name of Jesus, and that breaks my heart. But it also fires me up. Because you and I are part of the generation that gets to close the gap. You do not have to board a plane to play a role in this. You can give, you can pray, you can share your faith right where you are. The coming of the Lord is near, and the gospel still needs to go. Let us not waste a single day we have been given.

PRAYER:

Lord, use me this week to carry your gospel further. Whether it is across the world or across the street, I am available. Show me who needs to hear about Jesus and give me the courage to speak.

DAILY ACTION:

Pray specifically today for one unreached people group in the world -- you can find one easily through organisations like Joshua Project online -- and consider making even a small financial gift toward international gospel work this week.