

***STUDIES
IN
MARK***



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LESSON 52

MARK 13:19-27

REVIEW:

In our last lesson we talked about the first half of the time of trouble on the earth.

1. Jesus warned the Jews. He gave them a sign of when the time of trouble would begin. (Mark 13:14) The sign is that wicked thing that God hates will stand in the place of worship. Then what are the Jews to do? (verse 14)
2. This will happen at the end of the first 3 ½ years of the 7 years of the great tribulation on the earth.

READ MARK 13:19-23

TIME OF TROUBLE

Mark 13:19 tells about the last half of the 7 years of tribulation. This is the last half of the 70th week of Daniel, the prophet. In Revelation 11:2 John tells us that this will be 42 weeks. If we do a little mathematics, we will see,

½ of seven years is 3 ½ years. (Daniel) 42 months is also 3 ½ years. (John)

The prophet Daniel wrote between five and six hundred years before Christ was born. The prophet John wrote Revelation about 95 years after Christ was born. Both prophets wrote about the exact same period of time. They could do this because the Spirit of God told them exactly what to say. Jesus was the greatest prophet of all. He told in Mark 13:14 to 23 what it will be like when this great trouble comes on the earth. In Mark 13:14-18 Jesus warned the people. In Mark 13:19-23 He told them why they needed to be warned.

In the first half of the time of trouble (tribulation) the antichrist will make an agreement (covenant) with the Jews. Even today the Jews are looking for some great man who will be able to help them. When the antichrist comes, they will think he is a super-man. The antichrist will promise to help the Jews out of their troubles. But after 3 ½ years, the antichrist will break all his promises to the Jews. Then they will know

they have been fooled. What will it be like for the Jews who were fooled by the antichrist? How will God punish the people who have not believed the true Christ, His own Son?

1. In those days of the great tribulations there shall be . (verse 19)
(Affliction means pain, suffering, trouble.)
2. Has there ever been such trouble since God made the earth? (verse 19)
3. Will there ever be that much suffering again? (verse 19)
4. If God did not shorten those days of awful trouble, would anybody be able to live through it? . (verse 20)
5. Some will trust God even when there is such terrible suffering. They will believe He will save them. Who does verse 20 say will be saved in that day? The . The elect are those who trust God. The elect are God's people.

WARNINGS

In Mark 13:21-23, Jesus gives some more warnings.

1. Jesus said, that if any man tells you that Christ is here at this place, what are you to do? (verse 21)
If any man tells you to look, because Christ is there in that place, what are you to do? (verse 21)
2. Jesus tells them that they are to watch out for some kinds of people.
What kinds of people are they to watch out for? (verse 22)
 - 1) Christs,
 - 2) prophets.

3. Why will these men be able to fool many people? (verse 22) Because
 “They shall _____ and _____.”

4. If someone can do miracles, does that prove that these miracles always come from God? _____ . Who else can do miracles? _____ . This does not mean that the devil can do all the wonderful things that God can so. He can do enough miracles and signs to fool people.

How can we know if a man who claims to do miracles, works by the power of God, or by the power of the devil?

- 1) We need to know what the Bible tells us. False prophets will twist the Word of God, and try to make people believe a lie.
- 2) We need to keep close to God in prayer. We need to ask God to teach us what is true. The Lord Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to be our teacher. Jesus said,
 “And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” John 8:32
- 3) We need to obey the Word of God.
 “He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest (show) myself to him.” (John 14:21)

5. In verse 22, it tells us that the false Christs and false prophets do signs and wonders. Why do they show these signs and wonders?
 “To _____ if it were possible even the _____.”
(To seduce means to lead astray.)

6. The devil uses false Christs and false prophets to lead God’s people (the elect) away from the truth. The devil tries very hard to put doubt in the minds of God’s people. He tries to lead God’s people into false teaching. He does not love God’s people. He just wants to hurt God by hurting one of His dear children.
 God loves us. Jesus loves us. So in verse 23, He warns us to take

heed (listen well). He has told us ahead of time that all these things will happen, so we will not be fooled by the devil's lies.

7. Who does the prophet Daniel say will be saved in that day? (Daniel 12:1)

“Everyone that shall be found . . .”

What book is Daniel talking about? (Revelation 21:27) The

READ MARK 13:24-27

AFTER THE TRIBULATION

These verses tell us what will happen AFTER THE GREAT TRIBULATION.

Draw lines to connect the things in the first column with what it says about them in the second column or write the letter in the box behind the number ex. “The sun.”

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| 1. THE SUN | a. shall be shaken. |
| 2. THE MOON | b. shall fall. |
| 3. THE STARS | c. in the clouds. |
| 4. THE POWERS OF THE HEAVENS | d. the Son of Man coming. |
| 5. THEY SHALL SEE | e. shall be darkened. |
| 6. THE SON OF MAN WILL BE COMING | f. great power and glory. |
| 7. WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMES HE
WILL COME WITH | g. from the four winds (north, south, east,
west). |
| 8. THE ANGELS WILL GATHER
TOGETHER | h. the elect. |
| 9. THE ANGELS WILL BRING THE ELECT
(Two answers) | i. shall not give its light.
j. from the uttermost (the farthest away) part
of earth to the uttermost part of heaven. |

When the light from the sun will be gone, there will be no moonlight. When the heavens will be shaken, all the stars will fall. There will be no light at all. We cannot think how dark it will be. When all natural light is completely blacked out, suddenly the skies will burst into glory. Then every eye shall see the Lord Jesus Christ coming from heaven in a cloud, just like the Bible says, He will come with great power and great glory.

The false prophets and the false Christ will do signs and wonders. But when Jesus Christ comes, their power and the power of the devil will be like nothing. Before Jesus went away the first time He told His disciples how much power he had. READ Matthew 28:18. How much power did Jesus say was given to Him?

“ power is given unto Me in and in .”

Jesus has promised to give us all the power we need to live for Him. He will give us all the power we need to win over the devil. Jesus will give us all the power we need to witness for Him. He will do this till the trumpet blows, the angel shouts, and we are caught up to meet the Lord in the air. (1 Thessalonians 4:16,17) This will be before the great tribulation.

After the great tribulation Jesus will come back to earth to rule for a thousand years.

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