

Matthew 24
Title: "The Tribulation"
Series: Things to Come

Deaf Church
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Notes: 1. Introduction

- a. Olivet Discourse
- b. Also found in Mark 13, Luke 21
- c. Mt. 24: ~~8~~²¹ Great Tribulation
 - only once in human history - Mt 24:21
 - beginning of sorrows - Mt 24:8
- d. Disciples admired temple building
 - Jesus prophesied it would be destroyed
 - Disciples asked several questions
 - Mt. 24:1-3

2. Tribulation has many names

- a. Beginning of sorrows, 70th week of Daniel (Dan 9:24-27), Jacob's Trouble (Jer 30:7), Hour of Temptation (Rev 3:10), Tribulation (Mt 24), the Wrath (1 Thess 5:9)
- b. But Jesus meets Christians in the air starting Tribulation
 - called Rapture

3. Tribulation is 7 years

- a. Divided in half - 2x3 1/2 yrs
- b. 2nd half called Great Tribulation

4. Tribulation will be awful

- a. Rapture takes Christians & resident Holy Spirit to heaven
- b. God wrath & judgments
 - wars
 - famine/hungry
 - pestilence/epidemics/pandemics

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4b. (cont)

Environment disasters

- earthquakes
- fires (trees, grass)
- meteor strikes
- lack of water to drink
- solar radiation (sunshine) reduced

Plagues like Exodus

- locusts
- sun not shine for 3 days
- sun scorching earth other time
- human diseases/sores
- Antichrist cannot control laws of physics in universe
- God still greater than Satan

5. God shows mercy even in the

Tribulation

- God gives His word on the coming future - warnings
- God permits angels to preach to humans on earth - Rev 10:2-7
Rev 14:6
- God saves lives of Jewish people for 1260 days (last 3 1/2 yrs of Tribulation)
- Rev 12:6

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