ALL THE PARABLES OF JESUS

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UNVEILING GODS ETERNAL TRUTH IN THE PARABOLIC TEACHINGS OF JESUS CHRIST

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"THE PARABLE OF THE FIG TREE" - PART 2

ALL THE PARABLES OF JESUS UNVEILED

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER: Last Days, Unprepared, Watchfulness, Second Coming

Matthew 23:37 - 24:34 (Matthew 24:32-33)

A brief rebuttal to the rejection of futuristic, prophetic teaching in the "new pulpits" of America.

Revelation 19:10c

Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

Isaiah 46:9-10a

Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, **10** Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done

Isaiah 42: 9

Behold, the former things have come to pass, And new things I declare; Before they spring forth I tell you of them."

John 14:29 KJV

And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

John 13:19

Now I tell you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe that I am He.

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.

2 Peter 3:1-4a

Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), **2** that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, **3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days,** walking according to their own lusts, **4** and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming?

I Had You Turn to Matthew 23:37-24:34

We Began Reading in Matthew 23:37 thru to 24:31 and We Ended at Verse 31...

Matthew 24:32-33

"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. 33 So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near - at the doors!

(it's a parable about (a) timing, about (b) global events, it's about (c) the Second Coming and (d) recognizing the signs of the Last Days)

The Disciples Were Listening Well to Chapter 23 – Which Prompted an Awesome Series of Questions and Answers

Matthew 24:1-2

Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple. :2 And 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." :3 Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, (1) when will these things be? And (2) what will be the sign of Your coming, and (3) of the end of the age?" :4 And Jesus (1) answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you.

Luke's Account Adds This;

Luke 21:29-31

:29 Then He spoke to them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. 30 When they are already budding, you see and know for yourselves that summer is now near. 31 So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near.

Near ejggi÷zw eggizo, eng-id´-zo; to make near, upon, at, or to approach or to be approaching. – its coming is seen, (like a plane landing)

while its approaching, it's in the landing configuration, as it's on final, it's in the landing configuration and when it's touching down, it's in the landing configuration. And as it goes thru the roll-out, it's in the landing configuration. = it's landing and so is Jesus Christs' arrival – it's in the "Approach Phase" = in the landing configuration.

Why this Parable is so Important:

- #1 The Issue of Preparedness
- #2 The Issue of Vigilance
- #3 The Issue of Doctrine
- #4 The Issue of Deception
- #5 The Issue of Biblical Authority
- #6 The Issue of The 'It" (v.33) is The Second Coming of Jesus Christ

Matthew 24:32-35

"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. **33** So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! **34** Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. **35** Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

Matthew 24:36-44

"But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. **37** But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **38** For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, **39** and did not know until the flood came and **took them all away**, *(judgment)* **so also** will the coming of the Son of Man be. **40** Then two *men* will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. **41** Two *women* will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. *(judgment)* **42** Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. **43** But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. **44** Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Matthew 24:15

"Therefore when you see **the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet**, <u>standing</u> in **the holy place**" (whoever reads, let him understand),

End of Study

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