

Chapters 23-28

Chapter 23

Jesus Denounces the Hypocrisy of the Scribes and Pharisees

What is meant by the following verse “And call no man your father on earth, for you have one Father, who is in heaven”? (Note 23:9)

What are covenant curses? How do they relate to the New Covenant “blessings” in the Beatitudes? (Note 23:13)

How did the Pharisees devalue the sacredness of swearing an oath? (Note 23:16-22)

What does Jesus mean when He says “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for you tithe mint and dill and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law, justice and mercy and faith; these you ought to have done, without neglecting the others. You blind guides, straining out a gnat and swallowing a camel!”? (Note 23:23-24)

What does Jesus mean when he calls the Pharisees whitewashed tombs? (Note 23:27)

The Lament over Jerusalem

What is meant by the scripture passage “your house is forsaken and desolate”? (Note 23:38)

Chapter 24

The Destruction of the Temple Foretold

What is the Olivet Discourse and what is its purpose? (Note 24:1-25:46)

End of the World

What is the meaning of the Olivet Discourse as it relates to the end of the world? How did the Israelites view their Temple?

The Desolating Sacrilege

What is meant by the following verse “So when you see the desolating sacrilege spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains”? (Note 24:16)

What is the meaning of the following verse
“Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be
gathered together”? (Note 24:28)

The Necessity for Watchfulness

What is meant by the following verse “Then two
men will be in the field; one is taken and one is
left”? (Note 24:40)

What are the three different levels of the coming of
Christ? (Note 24:42)

Chapter 25

The Parable of the Wise and the Foolish Maidens

Why didn't the wise maidens share their oil with the foolish maidens? (Note 25:1-13)

Chapter 26

The Conspiracy to Kill Jesus

What is the Jewish Feast of Passover? (Note 26:2)

Judas Agrees to Betray Jesus

What is the value of 30 pieces of silver? (Note 26:15)

The Institution of the Eucharist

What three aspects of the Eucharist are highlighted in Matthew's Last Supper account? (Note 26:26-29)

The Betrayal and Arrest of Jesus

How does Jesus' betrayal parallel the conspiracy against King David? (Note 26:56)

Chapter 27

Judas Hangs Himself

What is the significance of "blood money" and the potter's field as it relates to the Old Testament prophets Jeremiah and Zechariah? (Note 27:6, 8-10)

The Death of Jesus

How does the phenomena surrounding the Crucifixion recall the prophet Amos 8: 8-10? (Note 27-45)

What is the full meaning of Psalm 22 as it relates to Jesus quoting only the first few words... “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” (Note 27:46)

What is the significance of the curtain in the Temple being torn in two from top to bottom? (Note 27:51)

Chapter 28

Jesus Commissions the Disciples

How is Jesus with us always till the close of the age? (Note 28:20)