

Confronting The Cloudiness

According to Matthew

Chapter 24

(10) 'And then many will be stumbled, and will beside-give (hand over or present) one another, and ³will hate one another. Then many false prophets will rise up and mislead many.'

How does one recognize a false prophet? That is a difficult question to answer. It is the primary concern on everyone's mind, Christians and non-Christians alike. From God's point of view in the Old Testament, a prophet is one who has a true and authentic message from God to relay to others. A false prophet would be one claiming to have a message from God but is not true and authentic.

What I am doing with this work is to bring to light the Jesus Christ as represented by John and by Matthew, whom I recognize as two authentic witnesses. Anything beyond that is in God's hands. Either God will vindicate his son or He will not.

(12) 'And because of the spreading lawlessness (independence), the love of many will grow cold. But this (gospel, the well-message of the kingdom) having endured, this one shall be preserved unto fulfilment.'

Jesus is consoling his disciples that the age of MISREPRESENTATION has a limited life and duration, just like the above statement about the physical temple in Jerusalem. God will, in His good time, 'bring it to an end. The genuine gospel as Jesus taught his disciples will be preserved despite the world's attempt at completely subverting it.

(14) 'And it will be announced, the well-message of the kingdom, in all the inhabited (world) as a witness to all communities, and then the end (of this era) will come.'

God's agenda will be completed. God will have done what He set out to do. He will ultimately CREATE ADAM IN HIS OWN IMAGE, AND THEN SAY THAT IT IS VERY GOOD, AND THEN HE WILL TAKE HIS REST.

(15) 'Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place, (whoever reads let him understand), let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.'

What is this "abomination of desolation"? An abomination would be something abhorrent IN GOD'S VIEW, not necessarily in our view. Secondly, this abhorrent thing brings about desolation. What does he mean by desolation? Desolation means in essence "lifelessness". So again from **God's point of view**, lifelessness means "being away from and being at war with God, the Eternal One." When Adam left God by disobeying Him, he died. His connection with the Eternal Living One was SEVERED. Man's only source of life is God. Man in his independence can only be LIFELESS.

And this abhorrent thing is standing in the "holy place". The holy place could only mean "sent of God", "on behalf of the Holy One".

So this abhorrent thing that only brings death to man, or even more accurately, STANDS IN THE WAY OF PROVIDING HIM LIFE through reconciliation with God, is the COUNTER-GOSPEL, the message of SUBSTITUTION posing as the authentic gospel.

And when you are given spirit eyes to see this phenomenon, you cannot stay where you are, but rather you must "go to the mountains", which could easily mean "go to the safety of the spirit high-places". The spirit high-places to me represents the "places of authority, the genuine heavenly authority." Those who are in the high-places of heavenly authority are those who have been given their place within that region, namely Jesus and his authentic disciples.

Chapter 24 footnotes:

³ 1John 5(1) (DirectFromGreek) Everyone believing that Jesus is the anointed has been begotten of God; and everyone loving the begetter is also loving the one begotten of him.

(2) When we love God and put into practice his instructions, then we know that we are loving the offspring of God.

(3) This is the love of God in order that we may put into practice his instructions and His instructions are not heavy,

(4) since all begotten of God overcome the world. And this is the means by which we overcome the world: our faithfulness.

⁴ Matthew Chapter 13, the parable of the wheat and the tares.

To be continued next week...

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