

# Preparations for Christ's Rejection

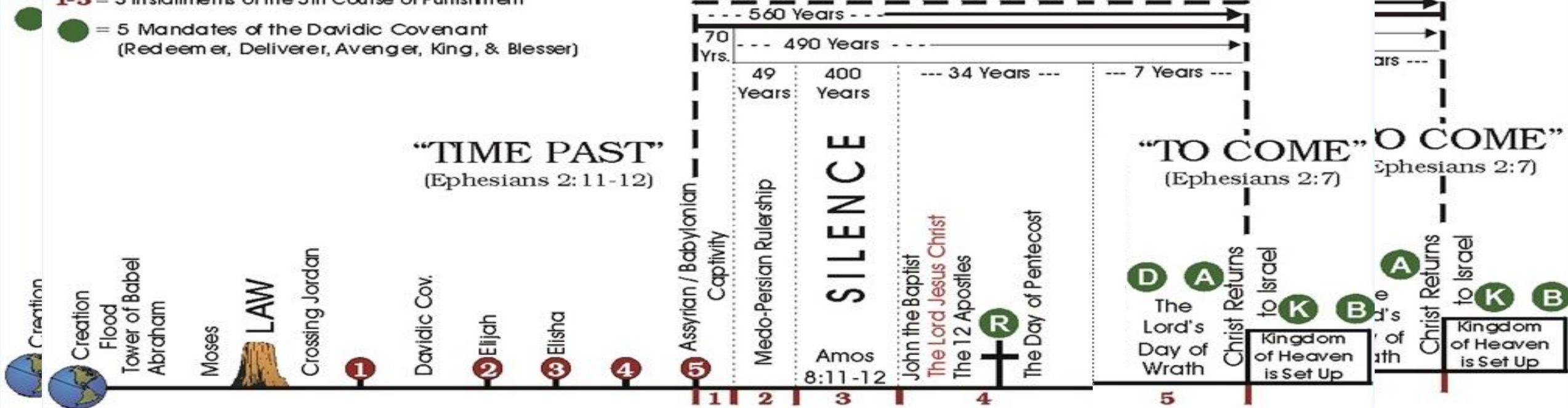
(Pt. 3)

Mat. 16

**GOOD MORNING**

- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

*TIMES OF THE GENTILES*



ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"

THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

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Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 2 Kgs 22	2 Kgs 10:31 to 10:32	2 Kgs 10:32 to 16:20	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
				1 and 2 Chronicles				Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.						

1. In chapters 14-15, Jesus is training them for when He is absent, especially during the Tribulation Period. They would need to operate by FAITH and illustrated by the Parables.
  - a. They would need to be instructed by Jesus unto understanding.
  - b. They would need to beware the leaven of VPS and the VRS, waiting patiently for everything to be uncovered at Christ's 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming with His angels.
  - c. They would need to pray for their daily provisions, watching for small things to become great.
  - d. They would need to wait patiently for His arrival.

## 2. Mat. 16:1-12: Leaven of the Pharisees

- a. Sign from Heaven—the signs and wonders Jesus did on earth rejected. Now they want one from Heaven.
- b. End time signs associated with the coming of the Kingdom—Mat. 24:29-31; Joel 2:28-31;

## 3. Mat. 16:1-12: Leaven of the Pharisees

--He reminds them about the leaven of Satan and the VRS because it will soon take on a new dimension.

#### 4. Mat. 16:13-16: Peter's Confession

The Christ—the Promised and Anointed of Israel who would establish the everlasting kingdom and who was also the MOST HOLY--the Son of Living God (Dan. 9:24; Ps. 2:1-8).

#### 5. Mat. 16:13-16: Peter's Confession

- a. Christ in the light of this confession is the core of the Kingdom of the Gospel: CHRIST, The Son of God (Mat. 16:16; Jn. 20:31)
- b. Church = ecclesia = assembly of people.
- c. Christ—the ROCK (1 Cor. 10:4).

6. Play on the two Greek words for rock:
  - a. Peter—petros—small stone that is moveable.
  - b. Rock—petra—massive immoveable Rock: Jesus Christ according to Peter's confession from the Father: **THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD.**

7. Deut. 32: Song of Moses/ Song of the Rock
  - a. The Rock is a person: God Himself (32:4)
  - b. Israel's downfall:
    1. They lightly esteemed the Rock (32:15)
    2. Then they forgot Him (32:18).
    3. The Rock replaced with their rock
  
8. God is not just like a rock (where the believing remnant found shelter, safe refuge, security, etc.), He is a Rock (Ps. 89:26).

9. This opens the door to a new line of attack on the Christ, Israel's Messiah Jesus.
  - a. This pivotal act of His Messianic work centers in His death on the Cross.
  - b. Satan immediately attacks to turn Him away from following the path that leads to the Cross like he did in the wilderness (Mat. 4:1-11). This time it is through Peter.
  - b. This will be one of Satan's most persistent methods of attack through the Vain Religious System—Counter doctrines of anti-christs and the Anti-Christ.
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