

Preparations for Christ's Rejection

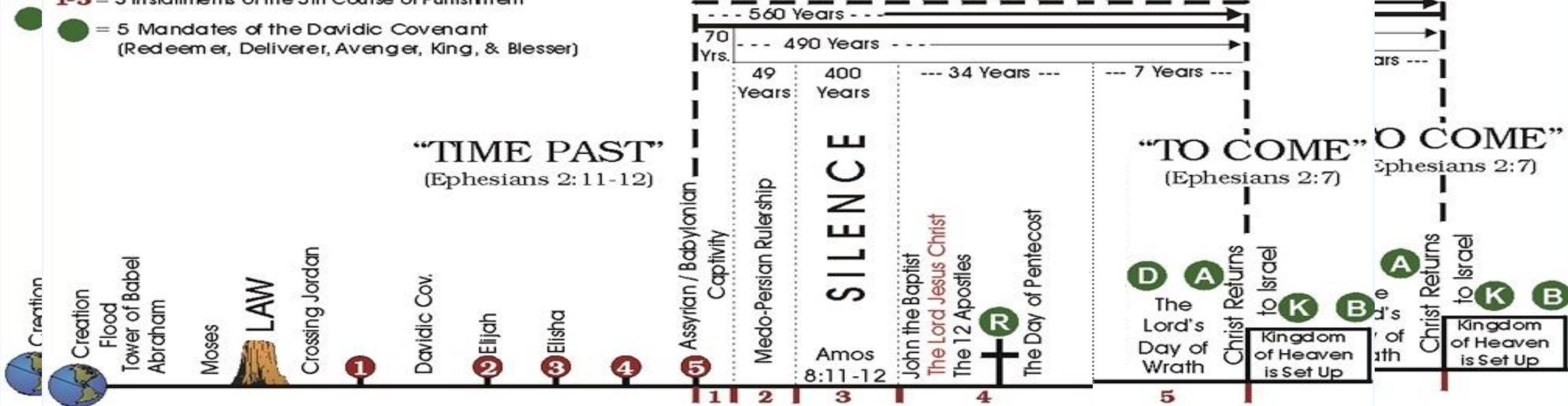
(Pt. 5)

Mat. 16:18-27

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"

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.		Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon						

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1. 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. 7:13-14; 9:24; Ps. 2:1-8).

2. 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 = called out assembly of people
- c. Christ—the ROCK (1 Cor. 10:4).

3. 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

4. God is not just like a rock (where the believing remnant found shelter, safe refuge, security, etc.), He is the Rock (Ps. 89:26).

5. After His resurrection, Jesus will delegate His authority (the keys of the Kingdom—28:18) to the 12 to bind on earth and heaven (Mat. 16:19), including forgiveness of sins (Jn. 20:19-23).

6. Secrecy component:

a. Who He was—the Christ (Mat. 16:20)

b. Begins to disclose that the next item on the list was His Death and Resurrection to the 12 (Mat. 16:21; Lk. 18:31-34).

7. This opens the door to a new line of Satanic 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. 4:8-11). This time it is through Peter.
 - c. 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.

8. This is the beginning of the working together not only of the Pharisees and Sadducees but with Herod as well, all of whom who are usually at each other's throats, beginning to fulfil Ps. 2:2.

9. To beware of the leaven of the Vain Political and Religious Systems is to take heed to God's truth as taught by Jesus. It will be futile to do anything else because: (Mat. 16:24-27)
 - a. To compromise with the VRS and VPSs to save one's own life by denying Christ will result in physical death and diminished participation in Israel's national salvation in the Kingdom.
 - b. But to beware the leaven of the VRS/VPS and physically die while proclaiming Christ, will result in life that fully participates in Israel's national salvation in the Kingdom.