

Outline Matthew 23-25

- 23 Woes condemning duality and pretense**
- 1-12 The error and fate of the scribes and pharisees
 - 1-2 Hypocrisy of scribes and pharisees
 - 3 Obey God but do not act out the hypocrisy of scribes and pharisees
 - 4 Heavy burdens placed upon others while scribes and pharisees exempt
 - 5-7 Motivations of the scribes and pharisees
 - 8-12 Neither seek nor offer undue reverence to humans
 - 13-31 Eight woes pronounced against scribes and pharisees
 - 13 Shutting up the kingdom of heaven to self and others
 - 14 Preying upon widows and offering pretentious prayers
 - 15 The futility of making proselytes only to actually destroy them
 - 16-22 Blind guides swearing by the temple actually swear by God
 - 23-24 Neglecting the weightier matters, justice and mercy
 - 25-26 Cleansing the outside while manifesting self-indulgence and extortion
 - 27-28 Deceptive outward appearance masks hypocrisy and lawlessness
 - 29-31 Pious acts and claims which actually self-deceive
 - 32-36 Filling up guilt, rejecting God's messengers, bringing judgment on themselves
 - 37-39 Jesus pronounces doom on unrepentant Jerusalem
 - 37 Jerusalem's refusal of all of God's redemptive initiatives
 - 38 Declaration of God's final abandonment of temple
 - 39 Jesus to return in judgment
- 24-25 The little apocalypse and the eschatological parables**
- 1-2 Jesus employs temple symbolically to foretell Jerusalem's destruction and to introduce a program of events reaching to the end of the age
 - 1 Jesus' disciples tell Him of the beauty and strength of the temple
 - 2 Jesus foretells the utter destruction of the temple
 - 3-31 **Signs of the times and the end of the age**
 - 3 Disciples seek clarification concerning Jesus' coming and end of the age
 - 4 Jesus warns against deception
 - 5-8 **The beginning of sorrows**
 - 5 Multiplication of those coming in Jesus' name and false christs
 - 6 Wars and rumors of wars shall come but do not be troubled
 - 7 Wars, famines, pestilences and earthquakes
 - 8 All these are the beginning of sorrows
 - 9-14 **Persecution, betrayal, when the end will come**
 - 9 Tribulation, persecution, and hatred of Christians
 - 10 Mass betrayal, hatred, and interpersonal offense
 - 11 Many false prophets will arise and deceive many
 - 12-13 Lawlessness brings lovelessness, yet those who endure saved
 - 14 Gospel preached as a witness to all nations, then the end
 - 15-28 **When to flee, warnings, corrections**
 - 15 When you see abomination of desolation...
 - 16-28 Instructions for those times
 - 16 Flee to the mountains
 - 17-18 Do not delay to preserve property
 - 19-20 Difficulties involving family, season, and sabbath
 - 21-22 Great tribulation and the shortening of time for the elect
 - 23-28 Multiplication of false Christs and false prophets
 - 23-26 Warning not to believe lies about where Jesus is
 - 27 The suddenness of Jesus' Second Coming
 - 28 Judgment executed at Jesus' Second Coming

- 29 Cosmic signs immediately following that tribulation
- 30-31 **Jesus appears in heaven and the elect gathered**
- 24:32-25:46 **End of the age parables**
 - 32-35 **Parable of the fig tree**
 - 32 When you see the new leaves you know that summer is near
 - 33 Signs of the times show will show the end near, even at the doors
 - 34-35 Things that pass and things that remain
 - 36-44 **The day and the hour**
 - 36 Only the Father knows when
 - 37-39 As the days of Noah were
 - 40-41 Two taken, one left
 - 42-44 Importance of alertness and readiness
 - 45-51 **Faithful and unfaithful servants**
 - 45 Who is the faithful and wise servant?
 - 46 The servant who is acting out his faith
 - 47 Reward for the faithful servant
 - 48-49 Who is the evil servant?
 - 50-51 Discovery and punishment of the evil servant
 - 25:1-13 **Parable of the wise and foolish virgins**
 - 1-5 Delayed arrival contrasts foolish and wise virgins
 - 6-9 Prepared virgins have oil when he comes, foolish do not
 - 10-12 The ready go in and opportunity closes
 - 13 Importance of watching
 - 14-30 **Parable of the talents**
 - 14-15 Ruler distributes talents to servants and goes on journey
 - 16-18 The servants trade or hoard their talents
 - 19 After long absence the master returns to settle accounts
 - 20-23 Faithful servants commended and rewarded
 - 24-25 Interview with the unfaithful servant
 - 26-28 Talent removed from the unfaithful servant
 - 29-30 Necessity of diligence; unfaithful servant judged
 - 31-46 **Jesus separates the sheep and goats**
 - 31-33 When Jesus returns He will separate all
 - 34-36 Righteous judged based on their works
 - 37-40 Righteous were unconscious of their good works
 - 41-43 Wicked judged based on their lack of good works
 - 44-46 Wicked were unaware of their neglect of good works