

Sermon Notes

How God's People Go On even in Times of Tribulation

Matthew 24:15-22

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The sign to flee - the abomination of desolation (vv. 15-16)

167 BC, Antiochus Epiphanies

Prophecy - near & far fulfillment (mountain illustration)

AD 70, Romans sack Jerusalem

Flee when necessary, for your testimony needs to continue.

Remember Matthew 24:14

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Don't delay your flight for anything (vv. 17-18)

Some difficulties of the flight (vv. 19-20)

Unmatched tribulation (v. 21)

God wants to preserve His people on the earth (v. 22)

Elect/Chosen

Saved

Us working with God to advance His kingdom

The far, end-time, fulfillment of this prophecy

Abomination of desolation

(ref.: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4, also see 1 John 2:18)

It's possible Christians' should flee then, to **keep witnessing**.

(ref.: Matthew 10:22)

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

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Application questions for 5/10/15 sermon Matthew 24:15-22

(First of all, if your group didn't do the questions from last week, 5/3/15, you may want to do those before these.)

The idea that God works with us - He asks us to act, and He acts in concert with us doing what He says - is that a new concept to you? If not, what are some ways you know that happens? (You could look up Philippians 2:12-13 together)

God asks us to do certain things to help Him build His church and advance His kingdom. And as we do each of those things, God will work - to empower us, to make our efforts effective. And through it all, will sovereignly build His universal church. Some things mentioned in the sermon, which He asks us to do, are:

- serving His church
- giving financially to fund the activity of Christ's church
- personally sharing the gospel
- obeying God, to mature, so you are qualified to shepherd, disciple, or teach others, so they will also do these things.

Do you think you are doing what God wants you to do in each of those, and why do you think that?

What do you want to change?

Do you think sharing the gospel of Jesus is as central in your life as God wants it to be?

If not, why not, and what needs to change?

Bonus:

Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?

Did the near and far fulfillment of Jesus' prophecy, which was presented, make sense with what you see in the passage?