

Are There Prophetic Signs in the Bible about the End-Times?

There are a variety of verses in the Bible that point to the end of the age as Christians currently believes it will occur. However, it needs to be made very clear from the start of this study that based on, Matthew 24: 36, “No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.” But if you continue to read in Matthew 24: 37-51 you will find Christ telling his disciples that the key to this issue is to be ready at all times for his return and again in Matthew chapter 25 the issue of watching and being ready are again discussed. This same discussion between Jesus and his disciples is also recorded in Mark chapter 13, however, in Matt. 13:37 Jesus clarifies that his words are for all men, “What I say to you, I say to everyone: Watch!” And again it is recorded in Luke 21: 5-36. The point is no one knows the day or the hour. However, if you go back the beginning of Matthew chapter 24 it starts with Jesus disciples asking him, “...what will be the signs of your coming and the end of the age?” Matt. 24:3. Jesus then gave them six signs that would indicate his second coming, which are discussed below.

Note: we will use the Matthew recording of this conversation between Jesus and his disciples for our examples but it needs to be understood that Mark and Luke also could be used as examples.

Eight Signs Given by Jesus to Indicate His Second Coming and the End of the Age

FIRST SIGN → False Prophets and False Christ

Jesus in Matt. 24:4-5 tells his disciples the following, “Jesus answered: Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Christ’, and will deceive many.”

Again in Matt. 24:11, “...and many false prophets will arise, and will mislead many.”

