

**THE LAST DAYS OF ISRAEL AND MODERN MAN****~ AS VIEWED BY JESUS OF NAZARETH ~**

Matthew 24:1-3

**Introduction:** Compare today with seventy years ago when Israel once again declared itself a sovereign nation in May of 1948. Today we are living in an age characterized by extreme changes of what was for centuries considered normal. Everything today seems to be upside down – white is now black and black white – bitter is now sweet and the sweet bitter - good is now evil and evil good. Things unthinkable just a few years ago are becoming the norm. All that is going on leaves the whole of life unsettled. Is there any rhyme or reason to it all? Does anyone have a handle on what's happening? One cannot help but sense that behind it all is something outside of ourselves – something far bigger than man himself is manipulating humanity on a global scale. In the passage before us this morning we will see that Jesus was both near sighted and far sighted as he viewed His present situation and looked down through the corridors of human history. There is a common thread through it all – past – present – and insight into the future – and Jesus and His teaching is the Key to it all.

**A. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE DISCIPLES**

**B. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE LORD**

**C. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE LORD**

**D. THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE LESSON**