

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

Matthew 24:1-3

Introduction: Jerusalem was completely destroyed in AD 70 when Roman armies under Titus surrounded it, and after a 143-day siege, destroyed the city with its temple killing upwards of 1,300,000 Jews and took many into captivity. Titus did give order to preserve all religious buildings in the city, but the soldiers' greed made them disobey that order. It was said that the heat of the burning city melted the gold overlay of the temple, much seeped into the unmortared joints of the building's massive stones. Roman soldiers, paid primarily by what they could plunder, had to take the temple apart stone by stone to get at the gold. And thus, Jesus' prophecy that "there shall not be left here one stone upon another that shall not be thrown down" (Matthew 24:2) was literally fulfilled. We must always remember - "it is impossible for God to lie," and that His revealed Word is 100% accurate and true - a Message this dying world lost in sin so desperately needs to hear.

A. THE ASTONISHMENT OF THE DISCIPLES

B. THE ABSOLUTENESS OF THE LORD

C. THE _____ OF THE LORD

D. THE _____ OF THE LESSON