

Sunday June 28th 2015
Matthew Chapters 24-25
Part Three
Study Questions

1). Read Matthew 24:32-39 – If we compare the fig tree seen in v32-36 with the fig tree seen in Matthew Chapter 21 what will we find to be different and why would this be particularly encouraging for the Jewish people?

a). What is contained in the warning found in v36-39 and what overlap is there in this warning for Christians?

2). Read Matthew 24:40-42 – What are these verses describing for us and where would we find this same event taking place in the Book of Revelation?

a). So, where would we place this specific event within the complete panoramic sequence we had seen in the first week's study?

b). Why do you think the Lord now starts talking about 'the Church' within the context of His response to the disciples' questions concerning Israel's desolation and the end of the age?

3). Read Matthew 24:43-44 – What do these verses teach us about the reason for the separation between the one taken and the one left?

a). What does v44 say and how seriously should we take this?

4). Read Matthew 24:45 and Hebrews 5:12-14 – What is the central focus of the Christian activity seen in our Matthew verse and what do you think has happened to that focus and activity as seen in Hebrews?

a). How can we make sure that we are doing exactly that seen in Matthew 24:45 rather than that seen in Hebrews 5:12-14?

b). What are the 2 choices that can be made by the servant in this parable and what are we told is the consequence for each choice?

5). Read Ephesians 4:15, Colossians 3:16 and Hebrews 10:23-5 – According to these verses what personal responsibilities do we each have towards one another?

What would it look like for us to be fulfilling these responsibilities?

If anyone should not be fulfilling these responsibilities, what would need to change so that they would be fulfilled?

6). What do you now understand it to mean for each of us to watch, be ready and pray?

7). What seems to you to be the most significant thing we need to learn from this study and why would you say so?