

## **THE REALLY GOOD LIFE!**

### *The Life of Christ Series*

Gospel of Luke

### **Here Comes the Son**

### **Luke 21:20-28**

Luke 21 Outline:

- ❖ Luke 21:5-6 Jesus foretells the destruction of the temple.
- ❖ Luke 21:7-11 Jesus reveal signs that will lead to the destruction of the temple.
- ❖ Luke 21:12-19 Jesus predicts the persecution of His followers preceding the temple destruction.
- ❖ Luke 21:20-24 Jesus describes the destruction of Jerusalem and instructs His disciples.
- ❖ Luke 21:25-28 Eschatological events

\*Eschatology- theology concerned with the final events of history, or the ultimate destiny of humanity; commonly referred to as the "end of the world" or "end times".

### **“Destruction and Instruction”**

(Luke 21:20-24)

*<sup>20</sup> “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. <sup>21</sup> Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those who are in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her. <sup>22</sup> For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. <sup>23</sup> But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people. <sup>24</sup> And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.*

The destruction of Jerusalem was not vengeance by the Romans, but from God. It was God’s wrath. However, he warns all those who will listen of this destruction.

- Why would He warn them?
- What were they to watch for and what were His instructions?
- Why would He specifically name pregnant ladies and nursing babies in v.23?
- What does it mean by “Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles” and how long will this be?

### **“Signs of End Times”**

(Luke 21:25-28)

*<sup>25</sup> “And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; <sup>26</sup> men’s hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup> Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.”*

- Jesus describes the end of the world. Describes v.25-26 in your own words.
- Why do you think He says to “look up and lift up your heads” in v.28 regarding their redemption?
- What can we learn from these verses and how does it apply to you if you are a Christian?
- Do you think Christ is returning soon? Why?
- How are you preparing for His return, has it changed your lifestyle? Explain.