

"When Shall These Things Be..."

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Luke 21: 29-38

Intro. [A.] The signs of the Lord's Return are to be seen in the heavens and on earth.

Vs. 25a [1.] "... Signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars..."

Vs. 25b [2.] "... and on the earth..."

Vs. 25c [3.] "men's hearts failing them..."

[B.] "When these things BEGIN to come to pass"

[1.] "... look up and lift up your heads:"

[2.] "... for your redemption draweth nigh"

I. [A] A Parable of Warning.

[A.] The subject of the parable.

Vs. 29 [1.] "Behold the fig tree,"

[2.] "and all the trees;"

[3.] The fig tree is the last to leaf.

[B.] The leafing is a warning of summer.

Vs. 30 [1.] "when they now shoot forth..." (leaf out)

[2.] "ye see and know of your own selves..."

[3.] "that summer is now nigh at hand".

[C.] The lesson Jesus taught.

Vs. 31 [1.] "So likewise ye, (make the comparison)

[2.] "...when ye see these things come to pass..."

[3.] "Know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand"

[4.] This is what we pray for.

[5.] It is the time of Christ's 1,000 year Reign.

[6.] It is possible because Satan is bound.

IV. The Things we must Do.

A. The Two things we can do.

1. "Watch ye therefore". ἀγρυπνέω = "to be sleepless", "lie awake", "to be very intent upon a thing"
2. "... and pray always" = δέομαι = "to need" "to want", "to make known one's need", "urgently request".
3. John's prayer, Rev. 22:20 = He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. "Even so, come Lord Jesus".

B. These things should not break our stride.

- Vs. 37a 1. Jesus continued His work in the day.
- Vs. 37b 2. He went to the Mt. of Olives to pray at night.
- Vs. 38 3. He taught the people early in the morning.

C. While we watch and pray.

1. We should continue our work.
2. We should continue our worship.