...When Shall These Things Be...? #1

1. Intro. A. Jesus was in the Temple at Jerusalem.
   2. He taught the people.
   3. He preached the gospel there.
   4. He watched as people cast in gifts into the treasury. He saw rich men and a poor widow.

5. Some called His attention to the beauty of the temple. Now it was adorned.
   6. Vs. 5. ἀνακαλλω = "to set in order," "to prepare," "to garnish," "with costly stones".
   7. "and gifts" = δανίαις = "votive offerings," "a thing devoted in honour of God."

[C. The answer of Jesus.
   7. Vs. 6. 1. "All of this that you admire..."
   8. "...the days will come in which
   9. Shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down"
   10. A nation's pride, religiously and nationally.

I. The Questions His Disciples Asked Him.

[A. And they asked him, saying, Master, but:
   9. Vs. 7. 1. "When shall these things be..."
   2. "...and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass," οἶκοι = "a signal," "an ensign"
   3. Matthews' account, Matt. 24:3 "a standard"

[B. These were straightforward and sensible questions. Why would Jesus not answer them the same way?
   4. He was not trying to confuse them.
   5. We should not look for the mysterious.
But before all these things:
Vs. 12 1. πρὸτον = in front of, before, of place, time
2. Other things will happen first.

III. The Apostles And Other Disciples Must Suffer

10. They would be persecuted.
11. "they shall lay their hands on you and persecute you..."  διέλθων = "to cause to flee"
12. "... delivering you up to the synagogues"
Here they would be investigated and stoned to death.
13. "...and in prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name’s sake".

11. These would present opportunities to them.
Vs. 13 1. "And it shall turn to you for a testimony."
12. ἔρωτισμος = witness, the declaration which confirms or makes known any thing.

12. They must not plan a speech.
Vs. 14 1. "Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer."
"Settle" 12. τῆται = "to set", "to place", "to put down" "meditate" 13. πρεπελεύσατε = to be careful about any thing so as to be able to complete it.

13. The Holy Spirit would teach them.
Vs. 15 1. "For I will give you a mouth and wisdom"
2. "which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist". ἀντιτίθεντος = "Contradict" "Resist" = ἀντίθεσθαι = "to stand against". "adversaries" = ἀντικείμενον = "to be placed against or opposite of"