"When Shall These Things Be..."? #2


Intro. [A] The disciples, Apostles expressed their pride in the temple at Jerusalem.

Vs. 5. 1. Many gifts had been given.
         2. The temple had been adorned.

[B] Jesus informed them of its destruction.

Vs. 6. 1. The goodly stones would be torn down.
         2. Not one wall would survive intact.

[C] His listeners asked the obvious question.

Vs. 7. 1. "When shall these things be?"
         2. "What sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?"

2. Matthew records another question.

Matt. 24:3. "...What shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?"

[D] We have learned of the suffering of those who were His disciples.

1. Vs. 5-19.

Vs. 19. 2. They must possess great patience.

I. What Would Happen To The Jewish Nation?

[A] Jerusalem would be encircled.

Vs. 20. 1. "Compassed" = κυκλάω = "to make a circle".
         2. "Desolation" = ἐθνικοῦ = "laying waste".
         3. "Nigh" = ἐγγίζω = "cause to approach".
         4. God is in control of this process.
         5. This is the beginning of the end for the Jewish nation.
III. The Conclusion Of The Whole Matter

A. A vivid description of the end.

Vs. 24 1. "And they shall fall by the edge of the sword..."
2. "And shall be led away captive into all nations..."
3. "Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles.

B. How long will they be dispersed?

Vs. 24 1. "...until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled."
2. Πληρῶν = "to make full; perform fully"
3. All of the projects God has planned for the Gentiles to accomplish in order for God's will for the Jew to be completed.
4. "Time" = Χρόνος = "the right time" "the right measure"

C. Paul's explanation to the Roman assembly.

1. Romans, 11: 11-24
2. Romans, 11: 25-29

IV. What About The United States?

A. What brought the Jews back to their Homeland.

1. World war I, The Balfour Treaty, the British and the Turks.

B. The Jews must want to go home.

1. Hitler became their Chastizer.
2. Why did America go to war?

C. The United nations.

1. The U.S. of America, the Atom bomb.
2. Harry Truman,
3. Who helped Israel in every way?
4. Why are we in Iraq?
5. Will we defend Israel?