

3. Jesus Predicts the Destruction of the Temple



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“When shall these things be, and what will be the sign of Your coming and the end of the world?”.



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- *Rebuilt after the 70-year captivity and enlarged under Herod the Great.*



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“Your house shall be left unto you desolate.”



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Prophetic principle: Some prophecies have a dual fulfillment.



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- *The preaching of the gospel of the kingdom.*

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- *Our works of compassion and charity portray our heart's nature in the judgment.*



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That it would be a literal and visible coming (no secret rapture).



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He takes the world completely by surprise.



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No death, crying, or sorrow—eternal life!



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