

#### **Key Scripture:**

#### 1 Chronicles 12:32 NLT

All these men understood the signs of the times and knew the best course for Israel to take.

#### Signs of the Times

- ✓ **Deception** (Matthew 24:4, 10 & 24, 2 Thessalonians 2:3)
- ✓ Transportation & Knowledge Increase (Daniel 12:4, Matthew 24:14)

Daniel 12:4 NLT

But you, Daniel, keep this prophecy a secret; seal up the book until the time of the end, when *many will rush here and there, and knowledge will increase.*"

- ✓ Falling Away from the Faith (Matthew 24:10, 2 Thessalonians. 2:3, 2 Timothy 4:3)
- ✓ **Many <u>Offended</u>** (Matthew 24:10)

Matthew 24:10 NKJV

And then *many will be offended*, will betray one another, and will hate one another.

- ✓ Sun...Moon...Stars (Luke 21:25, Revelation 12:1)
- **✓ Racism** (Matthew 24:7, Mark 13:8, Luke 21:10)
- ✓ Lawlessness / Love Will Grow Cold. (Matthew 24:12)

Matthew 24:12 NKJV

And because <u>lawlessness will abound</u>, <u>the love of many will grow cold.</u>

- ✓ Roaring Seas / Strange Tides / Earthquakes (Mathew.24:7, Luke 21:25)
- **✓ Wars and Rumors of Wars** (Matthew 24:6, Mark 13:7, Luke 21:9)
- ✓ The Nation of Israel (Isaiah 66:8, Matthew 24:32)
- ✓ Jewish People will gain possession of Jerusalem. (Luke 21:24)
- ✓ Rise of Globalism / Cashless World Economy (Revelation 16-17)

Revelation 13:16-17 NLT

16 He required everyone—small and great, rich and poor, free and slave— to be given a mark on the right hand or on the forehead. 17 And <u>no one could buy or sell anything</u>

without that mark, which was either the name of the beast

or the number representing his name.

- ✓ Famines / Pestilences / Viruses (Matthew 24:7, Luke 21:11)
- ✓ Artificial Intelligence / Life (Revelation 13:15)
- ✓ Excuses not to accept God's invitation (Matthew 24:37-38, Luke 14:18-20; 17:26-28)

Luke 14:18-20 NLT

18 But <u>they all began making excuses</u>. One said, 'I have just bought a field and must inspect it. Please excuse me.' 19 Another said, 'I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I want to try them out. Please excuse me.' 20 Another said, 'I now have a wife, so I can't come.'

# SIGNS of the Times

Here's Your Sign

## What should we do when we see the signs?

#### 1. Discern the signs of the times.

Matthew 16:2-3 NKJV

2 He answered and said to them,

"When it is evening you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red'; 3 and in the morning, 'It will be foul weather today, for the sky is red and threatening.' Hypocrites! You know how to discern the face of the sky, but you cannot *discern the signs of the times*.

### 2. Remain alert and strong in the faith.

Luke 21:34-36 NASB

34 "Be on guard, that your hearts may not be weighted down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of life, and that day come on you suddenly like a trap; 35 for it will come upon all those who dwell on the face of all the earth. 36 "But keep on the alert at all times, praying in order that you may have strength to escape all these things that are about to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

## 3. **Burn** bright for others to see the Lord's signs.

Mark 16:17-20 NIV

17 And these signs will accompany those who believe:

In My name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; 18 they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well."

19 After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, He was taken up into heaven and He sat at the right hand of God. 20 *Then the disciples* <u>went out and preached everywhere</u>, and the <u>Lord worked with them and confirmed His Word by the signs that accompanied it.</u>

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