



PROPHECY'S FINAL COUNTDOWN

BIBLE REFERENCE GUIDE #1

Belief in the soon coming of Jesus does not require blind faith. The Bible records many signs that are to take place before Jesus comes. These signs will be seen in the natural, political, economic, scientific, and religious world, making it possible for all on planet earth to recognize earth's closing events.

SIGNS IN THE NATURAL WORLD BEFORE JESUS RETURNS

1. **Matthew 24:29** – The sun is darkened, the moon does not give her light, and the stars fall from the sky.
2. **Matthew 24:7** – Increase in famines, earthquakes and disease.

SIGNS IN THE POLITICAL WORLD BEFORE JESUS RETURNS

1. **Matthew 24:6,7** – War and rumors of war.
2. **Revelation 11:18** – Nations are angry.
3. **Joel 3:9-14** – Men prepare for war.

The Bible is careful to predict that in the time of anger and preparation of war there would be many efforts toward peace. "...For when they say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them." I Thessalonians 5:2, 3 and Jeremiah 6:14.

SIGNS IN THE ECONOMIC WORLD

1. **James 5:1-6** – Rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer.

An increase in wealth at the expense of the poor is seen throughout the world. Injustice in the work place is prevalent.

SIGNS IN THE SCIENTIFIC WORLD

1. **Daniel 12:4** – Increase in worldwide travel.
2. **Daniel 12:4** – Knowledge shall increase.

It is more than interesting that God designed Daniel's prophecies to be sealed until "the time of the end." During that period just before the end, simultaneously people would begin to understand the prophecies of Daniel, along with discovering great scientific knowledge.

SIGNS IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

1. **2 Peter 3:3, 4** – Peter said there would be scoffers.
2. **2 Timothy 3:1-5** – Paul mentions 19 prevalent sins in the last days.
3. **Mathew 24:12** and **Luke 18:8** – Jesus said that there would be a lack of faith and love.
4. **Matthew 24:14** – The greatest of all signs is the worldwide proclamation of the Gospel.
5. **Matthew 24:4, 11, 24** – There would be an increase in deceptions.

In addition to the signs in the sky and on the earth, men's hearts will be anxious and fearful. "Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth." Luke 21:26. These world conditions indicate that the coming of the Lord is "even at the doors." Matthew 24:32-34. Let us heed Christ's admonition to "Watch therefore: for you know not what hour your Lord does come." Matthew 24:42.