

“THE PROPHECY”

Matthew 24:1-3

Introduction

- I. The **Setting** of the Prophecy – Matthew 24:1, Luke 2:29-30, 49, Haggai 2:7, 9, Matthew 23:37-39, Mark, 13:1, Deuteronomy 18:21-22, Revelation 1:17-19, Matthew 24:25, Mark 13,23, Isaiah 46:9-11

- II. The **Subject** of the Prophecy – Matthew 24:2-3
 - A. The Profound **Prediction** – Matthew 24:2, Matthew 23:38, Luke 19:41-44
 - B. The Precise **Performance** – Matthew 24:3

- III. The **Secret** to the Prophecy – Matthew 24:8, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

- IV. The **Scope** of the Prophecy

- V. The **Significance** of the Prophecy
 - A. Jesus Wants to **Teach Us** About the Future
 - B. Jesus Wants to **Transform Us** for the Future – John 16:1,4
 - C. Jesus Wants Us to **Trust Him** with the Future – Psalm 31:14-15

Conclusion

Romans 5:8-10, Romans 8:32, John 10:10

2. Read Matthew 24:3. Jesus made many prophecies about himself, the world, and the future. Describe one that you know of in which what Jesus promised has already happened.

3. We heard, “Unless we have a firm grasp on what the Bible teaches about the future...we cannot properly handle the strains of everyday life.” Describe an everyday challenge in your life that would be lessened if you know the outcome ahead of time.

4. Read John 16:1. In what way does knowing the sure outcome of something help you live better in the here and now? When you are clear about what is coming, how does this settle your thoughts and emotions and allow you to focus on what is at hand?

