

## 6.11.C(54-55). House Endures- Return of Jesus Mashiach. Mark 13:14-27

Now begins the darkest moment of human history and the great testing of the Jewish people. The antichrist, the embodiment of the *flesh*—for he is called the Beast, being entirely driven by Godless Self-honor to make him an enemy of God, now seizes power over the whole Earth. Those who have longed for an entirely human rule, freed from any Godly interference, now have their wish. And, Antichrist imposes upon humanity a bloody tyranny unrivalled in all of history.

Here, dear Shepherd of God's people, it will be good to remind ourselves of our Lord's words and how we should view our lives on earth, with Antichrist around or not:

<sup>34</sup> And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone

would come after me, let him **deny** himself and **take up his cross** and **follow** me. <sup>35</sup> For whoever would save his life<sup>[d]</sup> will lose it, but whoever **loses his life** for my sake and the gospel's will **save** it. <sup>36</sup> For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and **forfeit his soul**? <sup>37</sup> For what can a man give in return for his soul? <sup>38</sup> For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he **comes in the glory** of his Father with the holy angels.” Mark 8:34-38.

As a shepherd, teach your household to view their lives in this way:

### 1) The Life of a Disciple:

- Deny Self: give up the Flesh entirely to God as a sacrifice.
- Take up Cross: take responsibility for your sacrificial service to the Lord.
- Follow Me: surrender to follow and be protected by the Lord.

### 2) Saving your Soul: giving up your life on earth.

Consider the things of this life not *defining* of who you are in Jesus Mashiach. Your entire life now is in Jesus, who has made you a new creation: 2 Corinthians 5:17. So, to give up the things of earth to gain what is eternal and glorious is not loss but an investment.

Even those martyrs who *lose their entire lives during the tribulation* spend the rest of the Tribulation in God's comforting presence, then are resurrected to "reign" with Mashiach for a

thousand years! (Revelation 20:6).

### 3) Saving your life on earth: losing your soul.

However, those foolish and cowardly followers of the Antichrist choose to save their earthly lives: their comfort, homes, bank accounts, and status in order to pledge their loyalty to the Antichrist and Satan, making them enemies of God. And, they will hold on to their lives for 3.5 short years! Worse, they will then be thrown alive, with the Antichrist, into eternal fire.

However, if some, after receiving the Mark of the Beast repent and are willing to *risk their lives on earth* and offer shelter, food, or rest to God's afflicted people, they will save their lives.

## Read Mark 13:14-27.

“But in those days, **after that tribulation**, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup> and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup> And then they will **see the Son of Man coming in clouds** with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup> And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. Mark 13:24-27.

## Background:

As predicted by Daniel in Daniel 9:27, the Beast, the Antichrist, will desecrate God’s Temple and

will set up an abominable image in the Temple wings to execute those who do not follow the Antichrist.

He will be given power for 3.5 years, and he will work with the *False Worldly Religions* to put to death the followers of Jesus Mashiach and the true God!

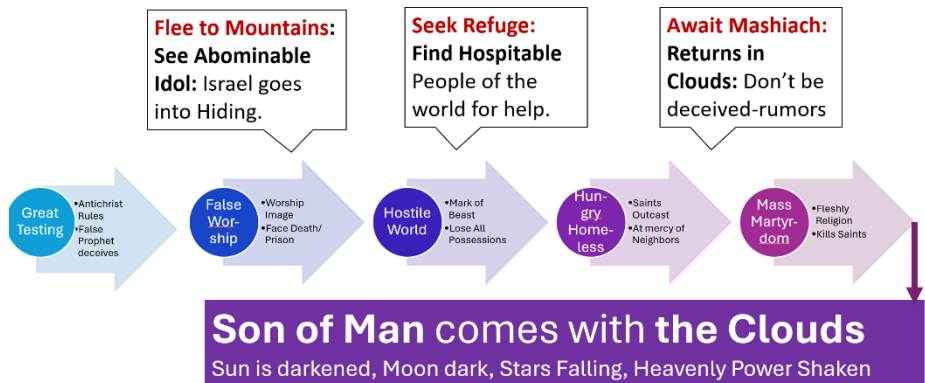
Shepherds, prepare your people for this dark time. Jesus instructs you:

1. If your people are in Judea, **Flee!** The Kingdom households should seek shelter, for there will be 3.5 years of persecution and threat.
2. Abandon any earthly possessions to **Find Safety**. There are no possessions, home, or riches that should keep you from finding safety.
3. Pray for God's mercy to protect you in this time of fleshly vulnerability. Knock on the doors of neighbors, to seek help and the meeting of your daily needs.

The Lord promises that those who help you will have saved their very lives.

And, after the 3.5 years of testing, the Lord Jesus will return with the Hosts/ Clouds of Heaven in power and glory!

## Antichrist Rules 3.5 Yrs.



Focus:

**6C(54-55). Tribulation and Return (3.5 years):**

Time of Antichrist. 13:14-27

1. Abomination Defiles Temple: Start of 3.5 years of Antichrist. 13:14-20.
2. False Christ and False Prophet. Deception. 13:21-23.
3. The Son of Man comes with Clouds. 13:24-27.

Consider:

Question:

Further Discovery:

