

SESSION 2 — END-TIME READY

KEY POINTS

- There are clear Biblical signs indicating to us that we are living in the end times.
- We must prepare ourselves, our cells and our homes for the end-times.

SESSION SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

- When Jesus first came, the people of God failed to recognise His coming even though they knew the Scriptures, taught from it, heard the words of Christ and saw Him performing signs and wonders.
- Jesus instructs His disciples to “stay alert” for His second coming (Mark 13:33-37) because many will be taken by surprise (Luke 21:35, 1 Thess. 5:1-4).
- The New Testament people of God - the Church, cannot make the same mistake. We must recognise the times and seasons. If not, we will be taken by surprise and might fall away.

WHERE ARE WE IN GOD’S TIMELINE

We will know it is the start of the end-times when we see these signs:

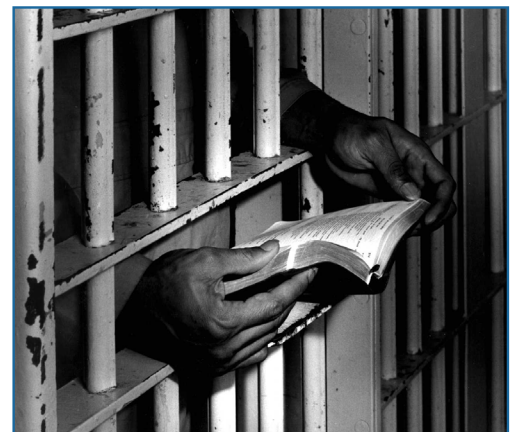
- Return of Jews to Israel – the emergence of the Messianic remnant. (Matt. 23:37-39)
- The Anti-Christ emerges and declares himself messiah in the new temple. (2 Thess. 2:1-4)

We will know it is almost the end of the end times when:

- The Gospel preached to every nation. (Matt. 24:14)

WHAT WILL HAPPEN DURING THE END-TIMES?

1. There will be mixed Days.
2. The greatest harvest of souls the world has ever seen (Matt. 13:39, Rom. 11:26)
 - Days of powerful witness. (Acts 2:17-28)



- The Gospel preached to every nation (Matt. 24:14)
 - The true Bride of Christ will have extraordinary power, zeal and love for Christ. (Luke 21:13-15)
3. The Great Tribulation (2 Tim. 3:1-5, 12, Rev. 7:14)
- Days of calamity. (Acts 2:17-21)
 - Christians persecuted, lawlessness multiply and the love of many Christians grow cold. (Matt. 24:9-12)
 - False messiahs, wars, great earthquakes, famines and pestilences will happen. (Luke 21:7-12)

HOW CAN WE BE END-TIME READY

4. Prepare Ourselves

- Spiritually: Memorise God's Word; Immerse in God's worship; Decide to obey regardless of cost and difficulties; Choose intimacy with Jesus.
- Mentally and Emotionally: Learn of current day persecution of Christians; Accept the reality of the possibility of persecution and martyrdom; Do not foolishly think fleeing pain is better than an eternity with God.
- Physically: Live a life of simplicity; Fast not feast; Keep fit for God's work.

5. Prepare Our Cells

- Overcome Turbulence and Stagnation: As a guide, healthy cell groups multiplies every two years.
- Intensity of Purpose: Carry an active faith while waiting for Jesus' return.
- Sense of Urgency: Nurture each new convert to grow and mature to become a spiritual parent.

6. Prepare Our Community

- Wake people up from spiritual slumber; Evangelise those who are far away from Christ; Help them grow from babes to warriors; Mobilise cells to proclaim the Gospel.

CONCLUSION



- We live in the most critical hour of spiritual destiny the world has ever known.
- We live in a day of spiritual acceleration when the Spirit of God is bringing together all things in Christ.
- We will to see a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
- We must keep watch on world trends and on our own spiritual condition.
- We must prepare for the immense harvest and persecution on the horizon.
- We must prepare our loved ones and people in our flock to be ready for Jesus' return.