

**Mark 13:24-27**  
The Coming of Christ to Establish the Kingdom of Israel  
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**Jesus Contrasts False Signs With True Signs**

Mark 13:21-23 And then if anyone says to you, Behold, here is the Christ or, Behold, He is there; do not believe him; 22 for false Christs and false prophets will arise, and will show signs and wonders, in order to lead astray, if possible, the elect. 23 But take heed; behold, I have told you everything in advance.

Mark 13:24 But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light.

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**The Shaking of the Heavens at Christ's Return**

Mark 13:24-25 But in those days, after that tribulation, THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, 25 AND THE STARS WILL BE FALLING from heaven, and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken.

Isaiah 13:10 For the stars of heaven and their constellations will not flash forth their light; the sun will be dark when it rises and the moon will not shed its light.

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### The Near and the Far Cosmic Disturbances

Isaiah 13:1 %The oracle concerning Babylon which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw.+

- Future Day of the Lord: Isaiah 13:2-16
- Near Term Example: Isaiah 13:17-22
- Near Term Example: Joel 2:10 %Sun, moon, stars+
- Future Day of the Lord: Joel 3:15 %Sun, moon, stars+

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### Cosmic Disturbances and the 70<sup>th</sup> Week

#### During the 70<sup>th</sup> Week

- 6<sup>th</sup> Seal: Cosmic disturbances (Rev. 6:12-13)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet: Cosmic disturbances (Rev. 8:12)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet: Cosmic disturbances (Rev. 9:2)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Bowl: Cosmic disturbances (Rev. 16:8)

#### After the 70<sup>th</sup> Week:

Mark 13:24 But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkenedō (Joel 3:15)

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### The Coming of Christ to Regather Israel

Mark 13:26-27 %When they will see THE SON OF MAN COMING IN CLOUDS with great power and glory. 27 And then He will send forth the angels, and will gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest end of the earth to the farthest end of heaven.

Zechariah 2:6 %Ho there! flee from the land of the north,+declares the LORD, %or I have dispersed you as the four winds of the heavens,+declares the LORD.

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### The Coming of Christ to Regather Israel

Matthew 24:31 And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

Isaiah 27:12-13 In that day the LORD will start His threshing from the flowing stream of the Euphrates to the brook of Egypt, and you will be gathered up one by one, O sons of Israel. It will come about also in that day that a great trumpet will be blown, and those who were perishing in the land of Assyria and who were scattered in the land of Egypt will come and worship the LORD in the holy mountain at Jerusalem.

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### Applications

1. We as Gentile believers have been grafted into the promises for Israel.
2. The establishment of Christ's kingdom is something for which we should rejoice and pursue.

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### 1. We've Been Grafted Into Israel's Promises

Romans 11:15-17 For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead? 16 If the first piece of dough is holy, the lump is also; and if the root is holy, the branches are too. 17 But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive, were grafted in among them and became partaker with them of the rich root of the olive tree, 18 do not be arrogant toward the branches; but if you are arrogant, remember that it is not you who supports the root, but the root supports you.

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## 2. We Can Rejoice in the Coming Kingdom

### No more war and death:

Isaiah 2:4 And He will judge between the nations and will render decisions for many peoples; and they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. **Nation will not lift up sword against nation, and never again will they learn war.**

Isaiah 25:8 **He will swallow up death for all time, and the Lord GOD will wipe tears away from all faces, and He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth; for the LORD has spoken.**

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## 2. We Can Rejoice in the Coming Kingdom

### No More Sin:

Revelation 3:12 He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and **I will write on him the name of My God**

### Living in the Presence of God:

Revelation 21:2-3 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, **Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them**

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## 2. Pursue the Kingdom of God

1 Corinthians 9:25-27 Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. 26 Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; 27 but **I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified.**

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