

	Mark 13:1-37	<u>OPINION</u> #1	<u>OPINION</u> #2	<u>OPINION</u> #3	<u>OP.</u> #4	<u>OP.</u> #5
SETTING	<p>1 And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!”</p> <p>2 And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”</p> <p>3 And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,</p>					
QUESTIONS	<p>4 “Tell us, <u>when will <i>THESE THINGS</i> be, and <u>what will be the sign when <i>ALL THESE THINGS</i> are about to be accomplished?</u>”</u></p>					
<p>DON'T BE DECEIVED</p> <p>“the end” – “no one knows”</p> <p>“these things” (70 AD) – “you know it is near.”</p>	<p>5 And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray.</p> <p>6 Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray.</p> <p>7 And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but <u>the end is not yet.</u></p> <p>8 For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. <u><i>These</i> are but the beginning of the birth pains.</u></p>	30-70 AD	30-70 AD	30-70 AD	30-70 AD	70 TH WEEK and PAROUSIA

<p>BE ON YOUR GUARD</p>	<p>9 <u>“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them.</u> 10 <u>And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations.</u> 11 And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. 12 And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death. 13 And you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But <u>the one who endures</u> to the end will be saved.</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>70TH WEEK and PAROUSIA</p>
<p>ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION</p>	<p>14 <u>“But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not to be (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.</u> 15 Let the one who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter his house, to take anything out, 16 and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. 17 And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! 18 Pray that it may not happen in winter. 19 For in those days there will be <u>such tribulation as has not been from the beginning of the creation that God created until now, and never will be.</u></p>	<p>70TH WEEK AND PAROUSIA</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>70TH WEEK and PAROUSIA</p>

	<p>20 And if the Lord had not cut short the days, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect, whom he chose, he shortened the days.</p> <p>21 And then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘Look, there he is!’ do not believe it.</p> <p>22 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform signs and wonders, to lead astray, if possible, the elect.</p> <p>23 But be on guard; I have told you <u>all things</u> beforehand.</p>	<p>“Tell us when THESE THINGS (v.4)... “I have told you ALL THINGS beforehand.” (v.23)</p>				
SEE THE SON OF MAN COMING	<p>24 “But <u>in those days, after that tribulation</u>, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,</p> <p>25 and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.</p> <p>26 And then <u>they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.</u></p> <p>27 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.</p>	70 TH WEEK AND PAROUSIA	70 TH WEEK AND PAROUSIA	70 TH WEEK AND PAROUSIA	30-70 AD	70 TH WEEK and PAROUSIA
<p><u>TIMING #1:</u> PARABLE OF FIG TREE</p> <p>...or, “when you see THESE THINGS”</p>	<p>28 “From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near.</p> <p>29 So also, when you see <i>these things</i> taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.</p> <p>30 Truly, I say to you, <u>this generation</u> will not pass away until all <i>these things</i> take place.</p> <p>31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p> <p>“Tell us when THESE THINGS” (v.4)... “THESE THINGS” (2X v.29-30)</p>	70 TH WEEK AND PAROUSIA	30-70 AD	30-70 AD	70 TH WEEK and PAROUSIA

<p><u>TIMING #2:</u> NO ONE KNOWS ...STAY AWAKE!</p> <p>“you do not know” (3x) so, “stay awake” (4x)</p> <p>“be on guard” (1X)</p>	<p>32 “But concerning that day or that hour, NO ONE KNOWS, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.</p> <p>33 <u>Be on guard, keep awake.</u> For <u>YOU DO NOT KNOW</u> when the time will come.</p> <p>34 It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to <u>stay awake.</u></p> <p>35 Therefore <u>stay awake</u>—for <u>YOU DO NOT KNOW</u> when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning—</p> <p>36 lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.</p> <p>37 And what I say to you I say to all: <u>Stay awake.</u>”</p>	<p>PAROUSIA</p> <p>“THESE THINGS” 0x</p>	<p>PAROUSIA</p>	<p>PAROUSIA</p>	<p>30-70 AD</p>	<p>70TH WEEK and PAROUSIA</p>
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Mark 13:1-31

1. Jesus answers the disciples' question about when the temple would be destroyed. Jesus had already alluded to the rejection and destruction of Jerusalem during this week on the Temple Mount:
 - a. MONDAY – Cursing the fig tree (11:12-14)
 - b. MONDAY – Clearing the Temple (11:15-19)
 - c. TUESDAY – Parable of the tenants (12:1-12)
 - d. TUESDAY – Identified himself as the stone the builders rejected that was to become to cornerstone for a new and greater building (12:10-11)
 - e. TUESDAY – “And as he came out of the temple...Jesus said to him, ‘Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.’”
2. The word *blepete* – “take heed” or “take care” is used at four points in chapter 13 which helps mark the arrangement of Jesus' answer:
 - a. 13:5 – “See (*blepete*) that no one leads you astray.
 - b. 13:9 – “But be on your guard (*blepete*).”
Or, “Take heed (*blepete*) however you to yourselves they will betray...”
 - c. 13:23 – “But be on guard (*blepete*); I have told you all things beforehand.”
Or, “You however take heed (*blepete*): I have foretold to you all things.”
 - d. 13:33 – “Be on guard (*blepete*), keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come.”
Or, “Take heed (*blepete*); watch; You know not for when the time is.”
3. The disciples (believers) will have to be faithful and endure.
4. The end is not yet, this is made clear. Time will pass. Work must be done.
 - a. Spiritual seeds must be sown so spiritual crops can be harvested.
 - b. Endurance will be required, not eschatological charts promising soon deliverance.
 - c. Deliverance will not come right away.
 - d. They will have to stand before councils, courts, kings and persecution to testify to the whole world and all nations.
 - e. The destruction of the temple will happen in this generation, but time for faithful endurance will go on much longer.
5. Deception is possible concerning:
 - a. False teachers
 - b. Misinterpreting “signs”
 - c. Failing to understand the length of time
 - d. Lack of endurance and compromise with the world
6. These verses include imperative exhortation (19 imperatives in 13:5-37), but Jesus' words also include indicative consolation. They must do these things, but there are also things that will happen.
So, be strong, but also know some things will not change.

7. The purpose of Mark 13 is not primarily to reveal hidden information, but encourage faithfulness and endurance.
 - a. Jesus is demanding alertness and endurance, not eschatological calculations and charts.
 - b. Jesus is preparing the disciples and their followers for the coming times of distress and upheaval which would include:
 - i. 30-70 AD,
 - ii. church history
 - iii. eschatological)
8. Disciples ask about “these things” – *tauta* – (from *houtos*, *haute*, *touto* meaning “this”.)
 - a. When will these things: happen? What is the sign all these things will happen?
 - b. The disciples ask in 13:4,
 “Tell us when these things (*tauta*) will be accomplished”, and
 Jesus answers in 13:29-30 saying,
 “when you see these things (*tauta*) happening...this generation will not pass away until all these things (*tauta panta*) take place.”
 (and, also, 13:23, “I have told you ...all things (*panta* = “all” and *tauta* = “things”)
9. By the time Mark writes this chapter (64-65 AD) this information was already known, taught, written down and spread into Europe:
 - a. **30 AD** - Jesus taught it in 30 AD to his disciples who did not forget it, but remembered and taught it in the following years
 - b. (**30-50 AD** – the disciples passed it on because Paul refers to it in written form in 51 AD)
 - c. **51 AD** - Paul refers to this record of information to the Thessalonians in Macedonia Europe in 51 AD:
 “For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord (or, “by the word of the Lord”)” – 1 Thessalonians 4:15.
 Then, in 1 Thessalonians 5:4-11 Paul builds on this to encourage the believers not to sleep, but to be awake and sober. They are to encourage and build each other up.
 - d. **Matthew** records it in Matthew 24 maybe as early as 48 AD (but, maybe later)
 - e. **57-60 AD** - Luke records it in Luke 21 between 57-60 AD.
 - f. **64-65 AD** – Mark writing Peters accounts records Mark 13 in Rome for the persecuted Christians around 64-65 AD
10. If this chapter is a typical written account of an apocalyptic revelation, it is missing these typical eschatological or apocalyptic features which means this longest uninterrupted account of Jesus teaching is to instruct his disciples on how he expects them to behave and to encourage them when their hopes seem to fade:
 - a. Visions
 - b. Angelic revelations
 - c. Historical survey
 - d. Numbers to analyses or numerical calculations
 - e. Divisions of history into epochs
 - f. Revealing of esoteric secrets
 - g. Symbolism
 - h. Beasts

- i. demonic powers
- j. a final series of battles
- k. destruction of the wicked final judgments
- l. rewarding of the righteous