



Tonight:

Introduction to Revelation, Pt. 3



# CUP OF INIQUITY

God will judge Jerusalem  
when her cup of iniquity is full.

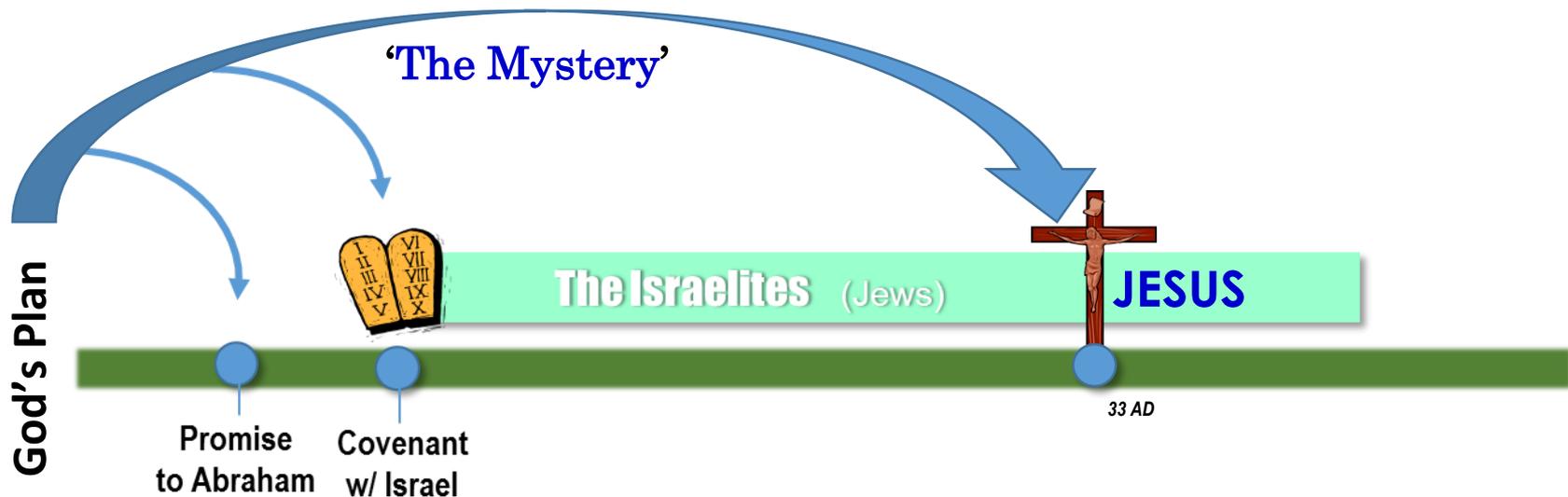


## The Larger Biblical Context

- God's Judgment

“The Lord will bring a nation against you from afar, from the end of the earth, as the eagle swoops down, a nation whose language you shall not understand.”

Deuteronomy 28:49  
(see 28:53, 56-57, 64)



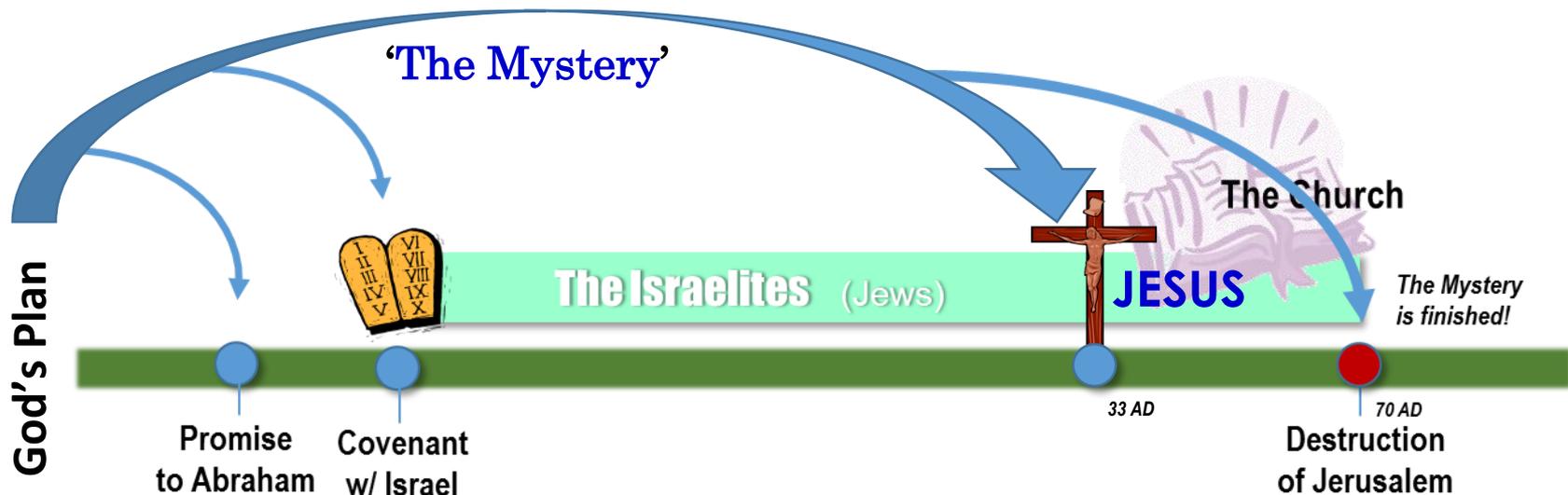


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- [A New Covenant](#)

“Behold, days are coming,” declares the LORD,  
“when I will make a **new covenant** with the  
house of Israel ...I will put My law within them  
and on their heart I will write it; and I will be  
their God, and they shall be My people”

Jeremiah 31:31-33

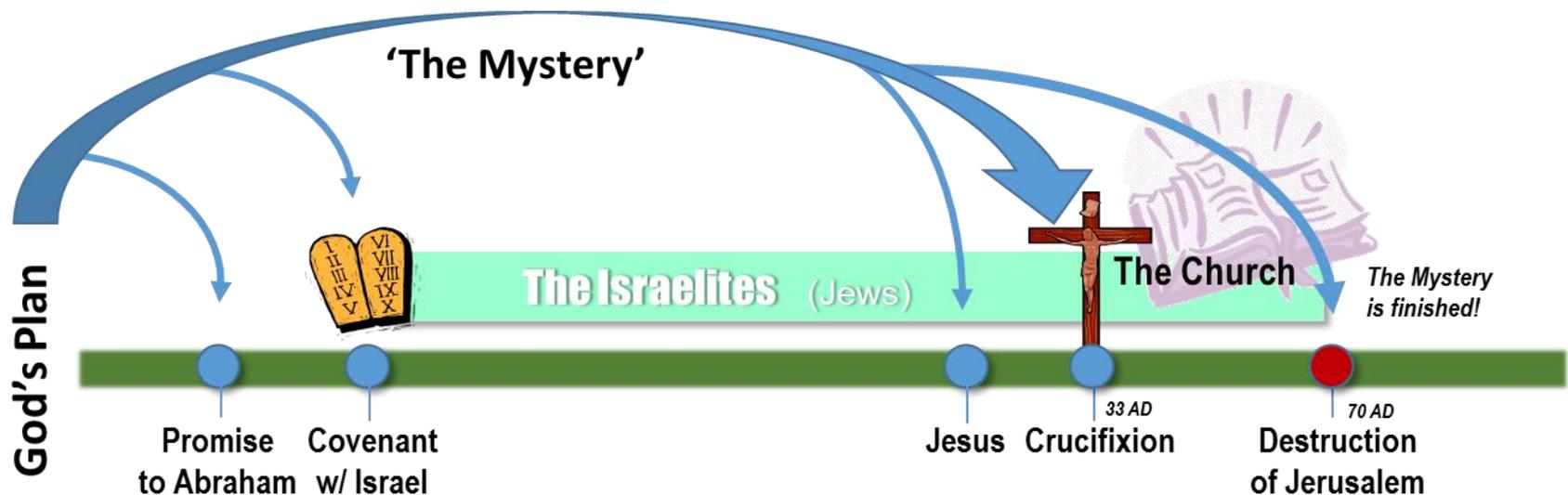




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**Luke 21:20**

“...these are days of **vengeance**, so that all things which are written will be **fulfilled**.”



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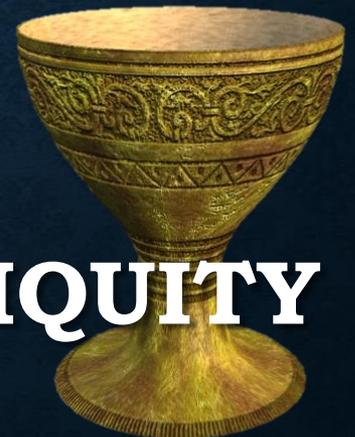
- The Principle:
  - God measures the actions of all, and when ones life becomes predominately evil, God will then judge.
  - Only God knows when ones cup is full.
  - Examples:
    - Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 18, 19)
    - Nineveh (Jonah 3:10)

Genesis 15:16 “Then in the fourth generation they will return here, for the **iniquity** of the Amorite is not yet **complete**.”

Numbers 14:22-23

“Surely all the men who have seen My glory and My signs which I performed in Egypt and in the wilderness, yet have put Me to the test these **ten times** and have not listened to My voice, 23 shall by no means see the land which I swore to their fathers, nor shall any of those who **spurned Me** see it.”

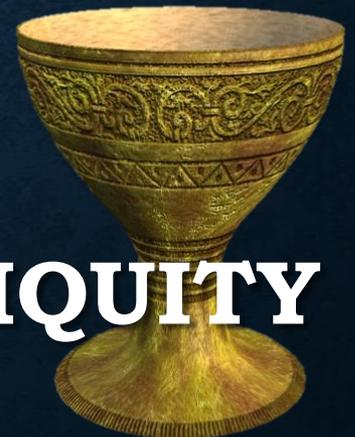
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Deuteronomy 9:4-5

“Do not say in your heart when the LORD your God has driven them out before you, ‘Because of my righteousness the LORD has brought me in to possess this land,’ but it is because of the wickedness of these nations that the LORD is dispossessing them before you. 5 It is not for your righteousness or for the uprightness of your heart that you are going to possess their land, but it is **because of the wickedness of these nations** that the LORD your God is driving them out before you, in order to confirm the oath which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.”

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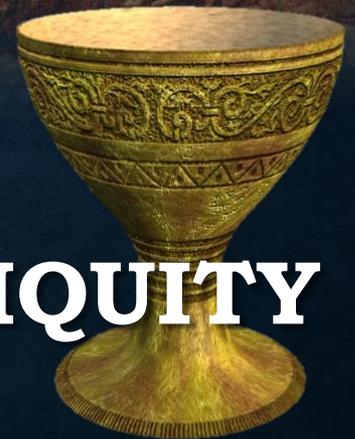
Matthew 23:32-3

“**Fill up**, then, the **measure of the guilt** of your fathers. <sup>33</sup> “You serpents, you brood of vipers, how will you escape the **sentence of hell**?”

<sup>34</sup> “Therefore, behold, I am **sending you prophets** and wise men and scribes; some of them you will **kill** and **crucify**, and some of them you will scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city, <sup>35</sup> so that **upon you may fall the guilt of all the righteous blood** shed on earth, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar.

<sup>36</sup> **Truly I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.”**

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**Matthew 23:37-39** Jesus weeps over Jerusalem

**Luke 11:49-51** This generation

**Luke 13:31-35** Killers of the Prophets

**Luke 24:19-20; Acts 7:51-53** Murderers of Jesus

**Matthew 21:28-32** Wicked Husbandmen

**Matthew 8:15-13** Great Faith/No Faith

**Matthew 10:5-15** More tolerable for Sodom

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- Why the Jews of Jesus' day?



1. Guilty of **all** the blood, Matt. 23:35
2. Judgment upon **this** generation, 23:36
3. Charged with **all** the blood, Luke 11:49-51
4. Christ's **murderers**, Acts 7:52-53
5. Heap up their sins to **full capacity**, 1 Thessalonians 2:14-16

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**Matthew 23:32-34**

# Matthew 24

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Three Questions:

1. When will these things **happen**? *24:34*

2. What will be the **sign**

1. of Your coming?

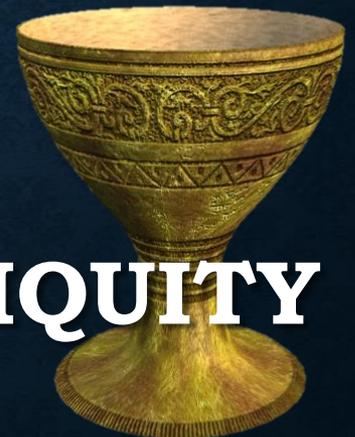
*Matthew 26:64*

2. the end of the age?

*1 Corinthians 10:11*

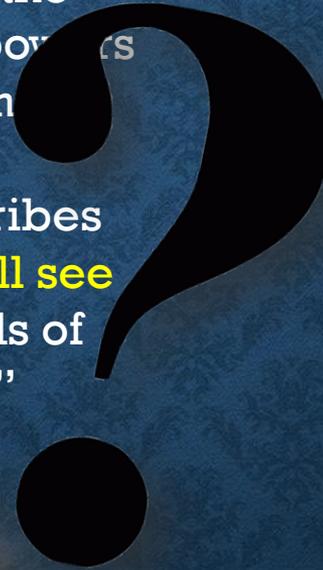
*Hebrews 9:26*

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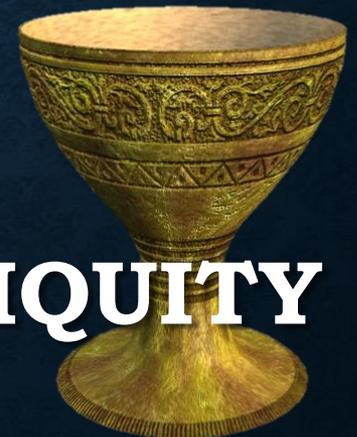


# Matthew 24

“But immediately after the tribulation of those days the **sun will be darkened**, and the **moon will not give its light**, and the **stars will fall** from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 30 And then **the sign** of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and **they will see the Son of Man coming** on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory.”



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# Apocalyptic Language

Sun being darkened, etc:

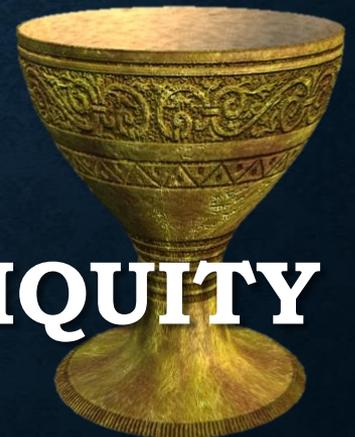
**Isaiah 13:10, 13, 19-20**

Son of Man coming on the clouds:

**Isaiah 19:1-4; Jeremiah 4:13**

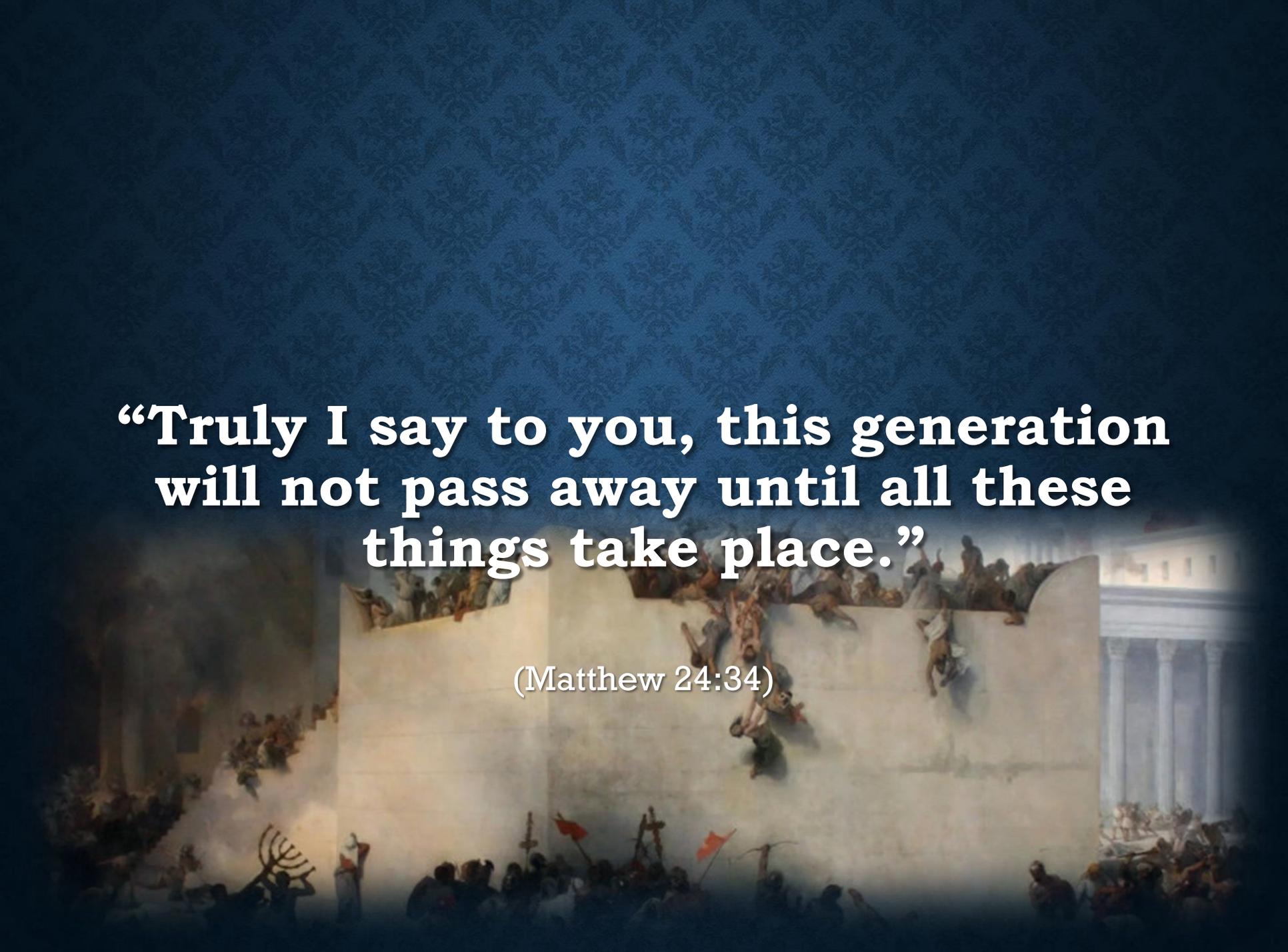
**The promise to Caiaphas, Matt. 26:64**

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**“Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.”**

(Matthew 24:34)



# Siege of Jerusalem 70 AD





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**Revelation Chapter One**