

Back to the Future, Part 3 Mark 13:14-23

So many people today have a problem with God because they fail to connect the dots between His _____ and His _____; between the _____ of God and the _____ of God.

The BIG Idea ... The God of _____ is a God of _____.

Revelation 6:15-17 ...

Romans 5:8-9 ...

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10 ...

John 16:33 ...

The Context ... There's a telescopic nature to Jesus' prophecies here. What He predicts will occur during the disciples' lifetime—which _____ what will occur prior to when Jesus comes again.

The Abomination of Desolation

- Daniel 11:31: Daniel prophesies of a time when an army will swoop into Jerusalem and _____ the temple by taking away the Jews' sacrifices to God and offering a sacrifice on the altar that will make the temple _____.
- It happens with the Syrian king, Antiochus Epiphanes in _____ BC.
- It happens again with the Roman general, _____, in 70 AD.
- It will happen yet again with the _____. 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4: The man of lawlessness, the son of destruction, will take his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

Unprecedented Tribulation

- Verse 19, "In those days there will be such tribulation as has not been from the beginning of the creation that God created until now, and never will be."
- That's why the people in Revelation 6:17 are saying, "The great day of God's _____ has come, and _____?"
- Verse 20 ... if God did not _____ His wrath, "no human being would be saved."
- Application: See God's mercy in the fact that though you've sinned against Him, you're _____ Lamentations 3:22-23 ...
- In the coming tribulation, God will throttle back the fullness of His fury for the sake of the _____.

Spiritual Deception

- Verse 22 ... false christs and false prophets will arise and perform signs and wonders.
- Revelation 13 says that the antichrist will appear to have a _____ wound and then _____ from the _____.
- Satan's strategy is to deceive by attempting to _____ and _____ God's work.
- Verse 22 ... the satanic deception will be so convincing that, _____ it were _____, even God's elect would be led astray.
- Those who truly belong to God, will be _____ by God, and will never be led astray from God. John 5:24 ...

The Takeaways

1. See the _____ of God. Romans 5:8-9 ...
2. Trust the _____ of God. 1 Corinthians 10:13 ...
3. Wait for the _____ of God. Isaiah 25:8-9, "He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."