

9. When is the "man of sin," or "mystery of iniquity," called also "that Wicked," to come to an end?

"And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall _____ with the brightness of His _____." **2 Thessalonians 2:8**

10. How long was the little horn of Daniel 7:25 to make war with the saints?

"I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; *until the _____ of days _____, and _____ was given to the _____ of the Most _____; and the time came that the _____ possessed the kingdom.*" **Daniel 7:21-22**

11. How will the day of the Lord come upon the world?

"For yourselves know perfectly that *the day of the Lord so cometh as a _____ in the _____*. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then **sudden destruction cometh upon them**, . . . and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief." **1 Thessalonians 5:2-4**

NOTE: There will be but two classes in the world then: those in darkness, who are looking for a time of peace and safety, and those not in darkness, who are looking for the day of the Lord, a day of waste and destruction, the coming of Christ and the end of the world. **See Jeremiah 7:1-19; Daniel 12:1; Joel 2:1-11; Zephaniah 1.**

12. What will some who are in darkness say when they hear about the Lord's coming?

"Knowing this first, that *there shall _____ in the _____ days _____*, walking after their own lusts, and saying, *Where is the _____ of His _____?* for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." **2 Peter 3:3-4**

13. What will be popularly taught in the last days?

"But in the last days. . . *many _____ shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; . . . and He shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.*" **Micah 4:1-3 See also Isaiah 2:2-5**

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1. What did Christ say would be the condition of the world at His second coming?

"As it was in the _____ of _____, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man." **Luke 17:26** See also verses 27-30

2. How was it in the days of Noah?

"And God saw that the _____ of man was _____ in the earth, and that every _____ of the _____ of his _____ was only _____ continually... And the _____ was filled with _____." **Genesis 6:5-11**

NOTE: In a sermon delivered at Savannah, Georgia., December 2, 1912, Bishop A. W. Wilson (Methodist) said: "Old Rome in her worst days never harbored such conditions of vice as are prevalent in our highest social circles. Never at any period of the world's history has the moral stratum been so thin or so low."

3. How did Paul characterize the last days?

"This know also, that in the last days _____ times shall _____ " **2 Timothy 3:1**

4. What did he say would make those times perilous?

"For men shall be _____ of their _____ selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, **unholy**, without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, **lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God**; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof." **2 Timothy 3:2-5**

5. Are things to grow better or worse before the Lord comes?

"But _____ men and _____ shall wax _____ and _____, **deceiving**, and **being deceived**." **2 Timothy 3:13**

NOTE: "Even to the end of time there will still be occasion for the same complaint; the world will grow no better, no, not when it is drawing toward its period. Bad it is, and bad it will be, and *worst of all* just before Christ's coming." - **Matthew Henry, on Luke 18:8**

6. According to the parable of the wheat and the tares, how long are the good and bad to remain together?

"The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but "the tares are the children of the wicked one; the enemy that sowed them is the devil." "Let both _____ together until the _____: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in "bundles to burn them." **Matthew 13:38-39,30**

7. When does the harvest come?

"The harvest is the _____ of the _____." **Matthew 13:39**

NOTES: Thus it is plain that the **wicked (the tares)** live with the **righteous (the wheat)** till the end of the world. There is, then, no time before Christ's coming for a sinless state, in which all men will be converted and turn to God. Harper's "Book of Facts," edition 1906, article "Religion," classifies the population of the globe religiously as follows:

Non-Christian		Christian	
Buddhists	400,000,000	Roman Catholics	175,000,000
Brahmans	250,000,000	Protestants	110,000,000
Mohammedans	180,000,000	Greek Church	90,000,000
Fetish-worshippers	150,000,000	Various	25,000,000
Jews	8,000,000		
Various	62,000,000		
TOTAL	1,050,000,000	TOTAL	400,000,000

From this it will be seen that only about one fourth of the world's population are even nominal Christians.

8. For what purpose did Christ say the gospel was to be preached in all the world?

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a _____ unto all _____; and then shall the end come." **Matthew 24:14**

NOTES: He did not say that all would **receive the gospel**, but that the gospel was to be **preached** in all the world for a **witness** unto all nations, and that *then* the end would come.

Commenting on **Revelation 20:2**, Dr. Adam Clarke says: "Probably no such time shall ever appear, **in which evil shall be wholly banished from the earth**, till after the day of judgment, when, the earth having been burned up, a new heaven and a new earth shall be produced out of the ruins of the old, by thy mighty power of God; **righteousness alone shall dwell in them**." - **Clarke's Commentary, edition 1860**