

What is the Abomination of Desolation?

Matthew 24:15-22 (NKJV)

15 “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place” (whoever reads, let him understand).

16 Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

17 Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house.

18 And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes.

19 But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! **20** And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath.

21 For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22 And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened.”

Jesus’ Olivet Discourse blends short-term prophecies with prophecies involving the _____ of the age. (*Matthew 24, Mark 13, Luke 21*)

Daniel 11:31 (NKJV)

And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there **THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION**.

Daniel 12:11 (NKJV)

And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and **THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION** is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.

The phrase, “abomination of desolation” refers to something defiling and idolatrous making its location desecrated for the daily _____ sacrifices.

(*Daniel 9:27; Daniel 11:31; Daniel 12:11*)

The abomination of desolation may include what Antiochus Epiphanes did in _____ BC. (*Daniel 11:31*)

The abomination of desolation may include what Titus Vespasian did in _____ AD. (*Matthew 24:1-2; Mark 13:1-2; Luke 21:5-6*)

The abomination of desolation may include The Dome of the Rock, built in _____ AD. (*Matthew 24:15; Mark 13:14*)

Luke 21:20-23 (NKJV)

20 “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near.

21 Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those who are in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her.

22 For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

23 But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people.

The _____ tribulation refers to God’s final judgment of Israel.

(Daniel 12:11; Matthew 24:21; Mark 13:19-20; Luke 21:22; Revelation 7:14)

Mark 13:14 (NLT)

“The day is coming when you will see the sacrilegious object that causes desecration standing where he should not be.” (Reader, pay attention!)

2 Thessalonians 2:4 (NIV)

He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

Daniel 9:27 (NKJV)

Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the week he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate.

The abomination of desolation may involve a soon-coming final _____ figure. *(Daniel 9:27; 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4, 8-10; Revelation 13:4-8; 11-15)*

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2 Thessalonians 2:8 (NIV)

And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.

At His second coming Jesus will overthrow and destroy the _____ antichrist.

(2 Thessalonians 2:8; Revelation 19:19-20; Revelation 20:9)