

“Warning; Do Not Follow Them”

It was the year A.D. 30; and high above the beloved city of Yerushalayim, at the very top of the Mount of Olives, the Master Yahushua sat alongside His talmidim (disciples). From this splendor view, they were able to see the earthly dwelling place of the Mighty One Yahuah, known as the “Temple of Yahuah”, and pretty much the whole city itself, for that matter.

Gazing upon this magnificent and massive structure, His talmidim had found the words spoken by Yahushua, only moments ago as they were leaving the temple area, about its destruction, difficult to believe (Matit Yahu 24:1-2).

However as history can confirm, the temple was indeed destroyed only forty years later when the Romans, led by the Emperor Titus, ransacked Yerushalayim in A.D. 70.

As they sat on this very spot, where the Prophet Zechariah prophesied that “The Messiah” would stand when He returned to establish His reign (Zech 14:4), it was a most fitting place to ask Yahushua, when He would come into power and what they could expect then. His reply would emphasize all of the events that would indeed take place before the end of the world came to be.

His purpose of speaking to them His answer, wasn't to tell them the exact date and time of His return, but to warn them (and us) of the dangers that lie ahead so we would be prepared, by being obedient and living our lives consistently to Yahuah's ways and not the worlds.

Many of us have read in Matit Yahu 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21 about this moment and all of Yahushua's prophecy of both near and distant events that are connected with His return to earth to reign and judge over all people.

Perhaps the most important of all these prophecies that He gave would be His first response to His Talmidim. Here is what scripture tells us about it.

And as he sat on the Mount of Olives, His Talmidim came to Him separately, saying, "say to us, when shall this be and what is the sign of your coming, and of the end of age?" Then answered Yahushua and said to them; "that it will not be any one man who will deceive you. For many will come in my Shem (name), saying 'I am the Messiah', and to many he will deceive" (Du Tillet version Matit Yahu 24:1-5).

Notice that immediately, Yahushua starts off by telling His Talmidim to be on guard and to be watching out for any man, some men, or even an undetermined amount of men, who will be looking to lead them astray with their false ideas and beliefs of His word.

Yahushua was warning them that these men, would be filled only with false promises and impressions, designed to make them think and feel as though it was the truth. In reality, it was a trap to cause them to be ignorant to the truth, which would only be hidden and concealed from them.

This warning has been for every generation that has come and gone, since Yahushua spoke these very words. We better know, that it is definitely meant for our present generation, and if you don't believe me, all you have to do is turn on your television.

There you will find an undetermined amount of men, on any of those religious channels, standing in front of their congregation, dressed in a \$1,000 tailor made suit, hand made alligator shoes, strutting across a stage covered with a rolex watch and plenty of gold and diamonds.

They look good, and there is no doubt that they are some sharp dressers, which is giving them a commanding appearance. They are even bringing a heart felt message, that taps ever so hard at the door of your heart, sparking every known emotion possible in your body.

Have any of you've seen these men? Yahushua said; even though their message sounds good, and very convincing, we must take the time to get up and close, actually examining it thoroughly, lining it up with Yahuah's message in scripture.

Unless we have a solid foundation of Yahuah's word, we will not be able to do that, why? Because His word is what equips us to be able to recognize the errors and alteration that is in every false teaching we may hear.

We cannot think for one moment that this warning Yahushua gave to His Talmidim and the Natsarim assembly in those days, warning of false teachers and prophets who claimed to have received a message from Yahuah was only for them.

Can't we hear them preaching that message today in our day and time? Is it not a false message of salvation, health and wealth, all obtainable from the grace we are given by Yahuah?

This same message says that obedience to the law is not required. This is exactly what people want to hear, especially when they are not following Yahuah's word or being obedient to it. This is not truth!

*Yahushua has been speaking to every generation, in hope that there would be some who would stop and ask the question; exactly what did Yahushua mean when he said "**Watch out that no one deceives us**"? He must have told us this for a reason? After 1,980 years, we need to be asking ourselves; "**Have we been deceived**"?*

***Wake up!** If we haven't yet, then its time to do so and stop listening to others preach Yahuah's word, that don't have a clue to what it means, and start listening to Him preach His own word.*

Its time to dust off our book of scriptures, clear our day planner, and sit down with the Mighty one of Yisrael, who is always ready and waiting to teach us His truth.

We are going to have to pray like we never prayed before, and that will take some effort, more effort than any of us have been known to give Him in the past.

We can't forget that He knows our heart, so if we want to hear His truth, it's time to put up or shut up! The time for talking out loud without a commitment, is over!

*"We have spent money on what is not bread, and labored on what does not satisfy, long enough" (Isaiah 55:2). He is crying out to us **Right Now**, loud and clear saying; "seek Yahuah while He may be found, call on Him while He is near" (Isaiah 55:6).*

If we truly love Him, as we say we do, then it must be enough to search Him out right now. If we do, then he has given us two promises. One, that he will love us for doing so. Two, that we will find Him when we do (Proverbs 8:17).

When Yahushua warned us, that many men would be coming, He also said that these men would identify themselves as having His authority and power. These men would claim to be having an anointing over their lives, as if they had oil poured out over their heads, by the Messiah Himself.

*Now pay particular attention to this prediction. Yahushua said; "**Many will come in His name**". What name? Shortly after He ascended into the heavens above, man has come in the names Iesou, Iesus, and what this entire world has been calling Him since the 16th century, Jesus.*

Man has wanted us to believe that these were the names of our Messiah, and we did. Their purpose was to bury the truth, bury the name of Yahushua Ha Mashiahi in order to deceive us. He warned us, but this world would not listen to Him.

For the few who have listened, this is a very significant time for us because the name of Yahushua will soon be known to this entire world, but it will come at a cost.

He said there would be fights over this name, the beginning of birth pains. Nation shall rise against nation, reign against reign, Famines, sickness, disease and earthquakes.

We'll even be delivered up, receiving pain and suffering, even death and hated by all nations for His names sake, the name of Yahushua ha Mashiach (Matit Yahu 24:6-9).

If we are reading His word, I don't know how clearer, He needed to be when He said; "for false messiahs and false prophets shall arise, and they shall show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones. See I have forewarned you" (Matit Yahu 24:24-25).

By following this lie, we have been following the father of all lies, ha shatan. What was the outcome of shatan's deception, of man claiming the name of our Messiah is Jesus? Yahushua told us ever so clearly at the end of Matit Yahu 24:5 "Many he will deceive". Do you think Yahushua was right? Amein.

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