

John 14:1 "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

Matthew 24:36 But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only.

8 Reasons Jesus Is Returning Sooner Than We Think

1. **BIRTH PANGS** growing in intensity.

Matthew 24:3-8 As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"⁴ And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray.⁵ For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray.⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet.⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places.⁸ All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.
Also **Mark 13:3-8**

2. **ISRAEL** will become a nation.

Isaiah 66:8 Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall a land be born in one day? Shall a nation be brought forth in one moment? For as soon as Zion was in labor she brought forth her children.

Isaiah 52:8

Matthew 24, Ezekiel 38, and Zechariah 12:1-9 - all assume a nation Israel exists

3. **MASSIVE NUMBERS** of Jews will return to Israel.

Deuteronomy 30:2-5 and return to the LORD your God, you and your children, and obey his voice in all that I command you today, with all your heart and with all your soul,³ then the LORD your God will restore your fortunes and have mercy on you, and he will gather you again from all the peoples where the LORD your God has scattered you...

Isaiah 11:11-12 In that day the Lord will extend his hand yet a second time...

Isaiah 43:5-6 Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you.⁶ I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth.

Isaiah 49:12, Ezekiel 20:41-42

4. Despite being a **DESERT** Israel will **BLOOM**.

Isaiah 35:1-2 The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad; the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus;² it shall blossom abundantly and rejoice with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God.

Isaiah 41:19-20 I will put in the wilderness. . .

Zechariah 8:12

5. Jewish **CHILDREN** will play in **JERUSALEM** streets.

Zechariah 8:4-5 Thus says the LORD of hosts: Old men and old women shall again sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each with staff in hand because of great age.⁵ And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in its streets.

6. **NATIONS** will align **AGAINST ISRAEL**.

Ezekiel 38:2-6 Son of man, set your face toward Gog...I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal...⁵ Persia, Cush, and Put are with them, all of them with shield and helmet;⁶ Gomer and all his hordes; Beth-togarmah from the uttermost parts of the north with all his hordes many peoples are with you.

Zechariah 12:3 On that day I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples. All who lift it will surely hurt themselves. And all the nations of the earth will gather against it.

Psalms 83

7. The **GOSPEL** will be proclaimed to **THE ENDS OF THE EARTH**.

Matthew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

8. We are the **FIG TREE GENERATION**.

Matthew 24:32-34 From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near.³³ So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates.³⁴ Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

Psalms 90:10 The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.

While we wait we should be hastening the day!

2 Peter 3:10-12 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.¹¹ Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness,¹² waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God...

Are you Ready For Jesus To Return?

Are You looking For And Hastening The Day He Raptures Us Home?