

Introduction:

1. What is coming up in God's prophetic Calendar?
2. What time is it in God's prophetic Clock?
3. Will the world get spiritually better or worse in the last days before Christ returns?

The biblical last days predictions answer these questions

A. Jesus' last days predictions, Matt 24:3-14, 37-39

1. vv. 3-5: Deceptive false Christs
2. vv. 6-7a: Wars and rumors of war
3. v. 7b: Famines and earthquakes
4. v.9: Christian persecutions
5. v.10: Believers turning away from the faith
6. v.11: False prophets' deception
7. v. 12: Wickedness will increase in the world
8. v. 12: The love of most will grow cold
9. v. 13: But he who stands firm to the end will be saved
10. vv. 3, 14: Global gospel witness as the sign of the coming end of the age
11. vv. 37-39: The sign of Noah's days

Question: How will you guard yourself against these evil predictions?

B. Paul's last days prediction, 2 Timothy 3:1-5.

1. vv. 1-2a, 4b: People's misplaced love
2. vv. 2b, 4a: People's misconduct due to their missed placed love
3. v. 5: People's powerless form of godliness or religion

Question: How will you guard yourself against these evil predictions?

C. Peter's last days predictions, 2 Peter 3:1-18

1. vv. 1-9: Scoffers of Christ's promised second coming
2. vv. 14, 17-18: The effort we must make to guard ourselves against falling from our secure position

Questions: How will you guard yourself against these evil predictions?

Conclusion:

How should we live in times like theses to guard ourselves from the last days predictions? (2 Cor. 5:14-15)

Tabletalk *(For family devotions and Life Group discussions)*

1. Share what enlightened and encouraged you from last weekend's sermon? Tell your story.
2. Among **Christ's last days predictions**, which are very evident today that we need to guard ourselves against? Refer to the sermon outline.
 - a. Which of these predictions negatively affect church worship attendance and ministries?
 - b. How does prediction #10 motivate you to share the gospel?
 - c. In what sense this generation is like Noah's generation?
3. Do a group discussion of **Apostle Paul's last days predictions**. Refer to the sermon outline.
 - a. Who and what do people love, instead of God?
 - b. What are the marks of powerless form of godliness or religion?
4. Discuss how the **Apostle Peter** handled people's mockery of Christ's promise to come to earth again to guard yourself against falling away from your secure position in Christ. Refer to the sermon outline
 - a. What does it mean to fall from our secure position (vv. 17-18)
 - b. How does the promises of Christ second coming encourage you?

Pray!