

Luke 21:12-24

TIME PERIOD OF THE DISCIPLE'S MINISTRY

Luke 21:12: *"But before all these,"* [The prophecies pertaining to the last day, **verses 8-11**] *"they shall lay their hands on you,"* [Peter, James, John and Andrew] *"and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake."* One example of the fulfillment of the aforementioned prophecy is **Acts 5:12-26**.

Luke 21:13: *"And it shall turn to you for a testimony."*

Luke 21:14: *"Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye"* [Peter, James, John and Andrew] *"shall answer:"*

Luke 21:15: *"For I"* [Christ] *"will give you"* [Peter, James, John and Andrew] *"a mouth and wisdom,"* [See **John 14:26** and **Acts 2:1-4**] *"which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist."* Continuation of the above example **Acts 5:27-42**.

Luke 21:16: *"And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you"* [Peter, James, John and Andrew] *"shall they cause to be put to death."* See **Acts 12:1-17**.

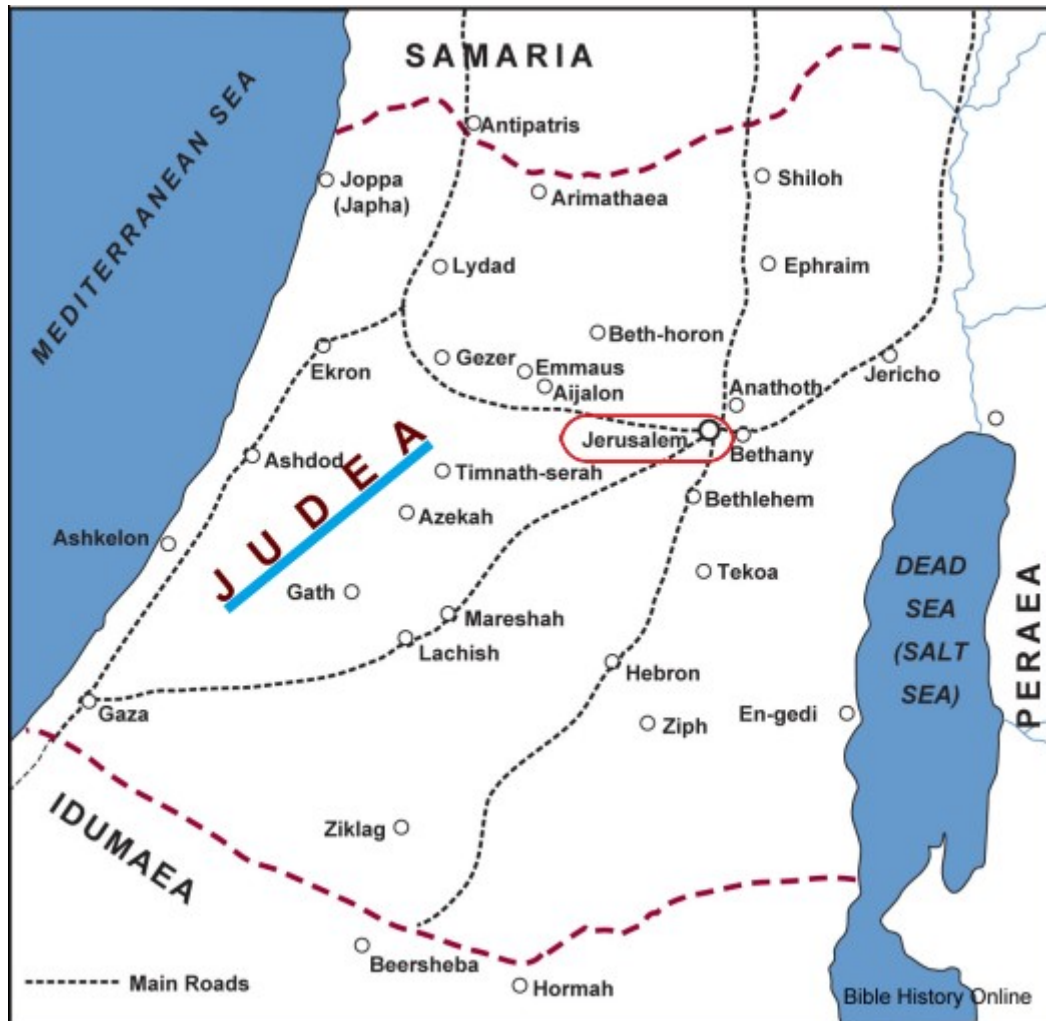
Luke 21:17: *"And ye"* [Peter, James, John and Andrew] *"shall be hated of all men for my name's sake."* See **Matthew 5:10-12** and **1 Peter 4:14**.

Luke 21:18: *"But there shall not an hair of your head perish."*

Luke 21:19: *"In your patience possess ye your souls."*

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM IN 70 AD

Luke 21:20: *"And when ye"* [Peter, James, John and Andrew] *"shall see **Jerusalem**"* [A city of Judaea, see below map] *"compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh."* In 70 A.D. the Romans destroyed the city of Jerusalem, and the temple.



Luke 21:21: "Then" [At the time when Jerusalem is compassed with armies] "let them" [The followers of Christ] "which are in **Judaea** flee to the mountains;" [The other nations/other areas] "and let them which are in the midst" [Middle] "of it" [Judaea] "depart out; and let not them" [The followers of Christ] "that are in the countries" [Nations/regions, outside of Judaea] "enter thereinto." **Judaea**.

Luke 21:22: "For these be the **days of vengeance**, that all things which are written may be fulfilled." David wrote concerning this time period; those Israelites, who rejected Christ would be punished, see **Psalms 69:22-28**. Additionally, the curses found throughout the Old Testament, would be upon the seed of that generation (The Israelites, see **Deuteronomy 28:15-68**).

Luke 21:23: *"But woe" [Destruction and persecution] "unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days!" [When Jerusalem is compassed with armies, and destroyed] "for there shall be great distress in the land," [Jerusalem] "and wrath upon this people."* The non-believers/the Israelites who rejected Christ!

Luke 21:24: *"And they" [The non-believers/the Israelites who rejected Christ] "shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles," [The nations] "until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled."* The Great Earthquake/The Day of the Lord, see **Matthew 24:29-30**.