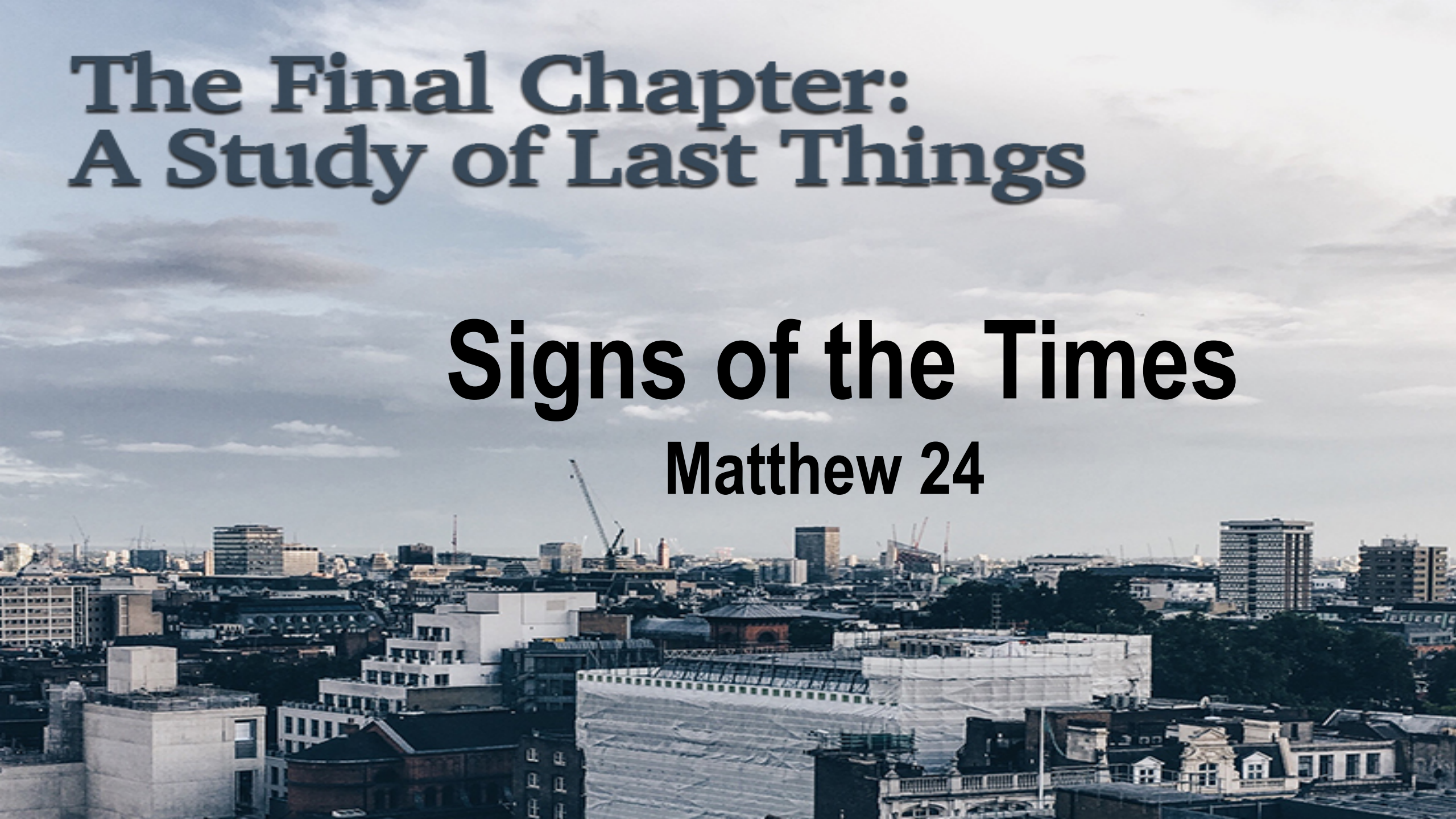


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Signs of the Times

Matthew 24



Two Probing Questions

**“Tell us, when will these things happen?
And what is the sign of Your coming and
of the end of the age.?” vs. 2**

“no one knows” vs. 36

Prophecies of the Olivet Discourse

1. The Temple will be destroyed vs. 2
2. The coming tribulation vs. 4-24
3. The return and reign of Christ vs. 29-35

Can we pinpoint prophecy?

“Immediately...” vs. 29

**“This generation will certainly not
pass away...” vs. 34**

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The sign of “birth pains”

“All of these events are the beginning of birth pains” vs. 8

The signs of the impending Tribulation of God upon the earth are the intensifying tribulations that are currently upon the earth.

Messianic Pretenders/ Deception

Wars, Rumors of Wars

Famine

Earthquakes

Persecution of Christians

False Prophets

Injustice, lack of love

Universal proclamation of the Gospel

“The Abomination that Causes Desolation”

Matt. 24:15; Daniel 9:27

**167 B.C. Antiochus Epiphanies builds an altar to Zeus overtop the
Altar of Burnt Offerings in the Temple and sacrifices a pig.**

A.D. 70 Titus destroys Jerusalem and Burns the Temple

**A.D. ??? The Antichrist will end all Temple worship of God.
Dan. 9:26-27; Rev. 13:5-8**

What did Jesus reveal?

1. He will return to rule on earth.
2. His return is preceded by increasingly intense tribulation.
3. His return is accompanied by an immense time of Tribulation.
4. We are to be ready and watching.