

# S.O.H.L.

## WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

*Pronounced "Soul"*  
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### Predictions

**MATTHEW 24:3-8 NKJV - (3)** Now 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 and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. **(5)** For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. **(6)** And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. **(7)** For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. **(8)** All these are the beginning of sorrows.

The year is 2016 and many people around the globe are wondering if the end of the world is near, the interest in this topic more widespread than ever before. And who can blame people for wondering, when you see what is happening to our world. The signs of the end are prevalent. War, famine, natural disasters, an incredible and rapid increase in knowledge, poisoning of the air and water, along with hearing story after story of birds of the air and fish of the seas dying in huge numbers - these Biblical signs are so strong and the evidence so clear that any person willing to accept the truth can see that the end of the world as we know it is near.

In the above passage, Jesus tells of the events that are to come. Paul mentions the character of man in the last days (**2 TIMOTHY 3:2-5**). Man was once able to predict the weather, but these days they are getting further and further from the truth. God's word, though, is nothing but the absolute truth!!

Jesus shares more of the sorrows to come in **verses 9-14**, but let us never forget His words to the disciples in **verse 4**. "Take heed that no one deceives you."

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

2 THESSALONIANS 2:3-4

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

Why are people paying to go to "Hell", when they are getting in for free?