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And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple. And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? Verily I say unto you, there shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. And as he sat upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, "Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?" And Jesus answered and said unto them, "Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in diverse places." (Matthew 24:1-7)

I'd like to speak to you today about something that Jesus told his disciples 2,000 years ago—about the signs that will indicate the last days. The disciples were very curious. They knew that many things were to happen in the last days but they wanted to know when these things would happen, so they asked Jesus to tell them.

Jesus was in the Temple, but then he left and he was walking along; his disciples came to him to show him the buildings of the Temple. Jesus said to them, "Don't you see what is actually happening here? The last days will be a very fearful time." As an example of that, he said that when the last days come, this Temple will be destroyed; there will not be one stone lying upon another.

A little bit later Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives; his disciples came to him and said, "You know everything, so please tell us once again more details about what is going to happen in the last days." Jesus said to them that in the last days many people will come in his name, in Christ's name, to confuse people. He told them that they should not be confused but just follow him.

The disciples asked again, "We want to know accurately, exactly what will be the signs of the last days." This was not just the disciples, but many people, many saints in those days were curious about what would happen in the last days, what would be the signs. Jesus explained to them again that in the last days many people would die; there would be wars, there would be earthquakes, and the world would seem to be out of control. They asked him again, "When is this going to happen? Would that be the time when you come again?"

Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth; verily I say unto you." Verily means that he is emphasizing, "This is true; I am telling you something very important so don't just listen to this lightly but understand the seriousness of my message."

He said to them, "In those days nations will rise against nations, peoples will rise against peoples, and many things will happen that are unexpected and will surprise and amaze people. People will be afraid, but do not be afraid; just follow me."

So people began waiting for Jesus to return at that time. It has been more than 2,000 years now. The churches in the world do not know what is going on in terms of God's providence, but in our church that is not the case. True Father has taught us what is going on; he has taught us a lot so we know much more than they do about these things.

We believe in the Lord that returned, but they still think that the Lord has not returned; they are waiting for him. There is an incredible difference between us and the other churches in the world; we have the teaching of the Christ Jesus who returned and we received his guidance and we are living in his teachings. So we are very happy people.

He taught us everything and we are able to live according to that and we have the mission to believe in him and to testify to him. We've been doing our best already so far but we need to do more in that way.

This is the time when the church can be revived; it can live and it can become powerful and begin a new history. So I ask that all people believe in this with all their hearts and all their minds and all their strength.

Already Christ has returned and he has given us many, many words from God. We ask that everyone search for the words of Christ who has returned, and believe in this. When world Christianity does this, then world Christianity can be revived and the Cheon II Guk that the Lord who has returned spoke of can be built on this earth.

Thank you very much.

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