

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about
how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive
offerings,
Jesus said, "All that you see here--
the days will come when there will not be left
a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him,
"Teacher, when will this happen?
And what sign will there be when all these things are about to
happen?"

He answered,
"See that you not be deceived,
for many will come in my name, saying,
'I am he,' and 'The time has come.'

Do not follow them!
When you hear of wars and insurrections,
do not be terrified; for such things must happen first,
but it will not immediately be the end."

Then he said to them,
"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against
kingdom.

There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues
from place to place;
and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from
the sky.

"Before all this happens, however,
they will seize and persecute you,
they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons,
and they will have you led before kings and governors
because of my name.

It will lead to your giving testimony.

Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand,
for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking
that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.
You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives,
and friends,
and they will put some of you to death.
You will be hated by all because of my name,
but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.
By your perseverance you will secure your lives.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



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FIRST READING

A reading from the second Book of Samuel 5:1-3

In those days, all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron and said:

“Here we are, your bone and your flesh.

In days past, when Saul was our king,
it was you who led the Israelites out and brought
them back.

And the LORD said to you,

‘You shall shepherd my people Israel
and shall be commander of Israel.’”

When all the elders of Israel came to David in Hebron,
King David made an agreement with them there before
the LORD,
and they anointed him king of Israel.

The word of the Lord.