

# The Gospel of Matthew

WHY DID THE KING COME BUT NOT THE KINGDOM?

## II. THE KINGDOM HAS NOT 13:54-28:20

### 6. The Formal Presentation and Rejection of the King, 19:3 – 25:46

(Matthew 25:31-46)

*“Gentile Kingdom Entrance:  
The Sheep & Goats”*

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## 1. The Structure of the Olivet Discourse 24:1-25:46

Part 1 – The Setting of the Olivet Discourse 24:1-3

Part 2 – The Seventieth Seven of Daniel 24:4-26

Part 3 – The Second Coming of Christ 24:27-31

Part 4 – The Series of Parables 24:32-25:46

## 1. The context

### ➤ Foretold judgment

#### 1) Jewish Judgment

- Dan. 12:8-13
- Ezek. 20:34-37

#### 2) Gentile Judgment

- Joel 3:12-17

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➤ Foreshadowed judgment

1) Jewish Judgment

- Mt. 3:7-12
- Mt. 13:24-30 (Wheat & Tares)

2) Gentile Judgment

- Mt. 13:47-50 (Dragnet)

## 1. The context

- Foretold judgment
- Foreshadowed judgment
- Jewish Kingdom entrance judgment:
  - 1) The parable of timing 24:32-44
  - 2) The parable of awareness 24:45-51
  - 3) The parable of readiness 25:1-13
  - 4) The parable of watchfulness 25:14-30

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- The time aspect v. 31
  - “When the Son of Man comes in His glory”
  - “all the holy angels with Him”
  - “THEN He will sit on the throne of His glory”

## 2. The sheep & goats judgment vv. 31-33

- The judgment v. 32
  - The judged: “all the nations”
  - The place of judgment: “will be gathered before Him”
  - The purpose of judgment: “He will separate them one from another,
  - The simile comparison: “as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats.”

## 2. The sheep & goats judgment vv. 31-33

- The division v. 33
  - The sheep at His right hand.
  - The goats at His left hand.

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### 3. The verdict for the sheep vv. 34-40

- The declaration v. 34
- The reason vv. 35-36
- The clarification vv. 37-40

Who is “my brethren” referring to?

- a. Kingdom preachers: Apostles  
(Mt. 10:5-15, 21-23)
- b. Kingdom preachers: Tribulation remnant  
(Mt. 24:9-10, 13-14; Rev. 7)

### 3. The verdict for the sheep vv. 34-40

#### ➤ Summary:

Just as, during the Apostles' kingdom evangelistic campaign, a house was considered "worthy" or "unworthy" based on its response to the message, so the remnant tasked with this work during the tribulation will encounter the same experience.

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- The reason vv. 42-43
- The clarification vv. 44-45
- The verdict v. 46

# Believer & Unbeliever Judgments:



Believers:  
Bema Seat



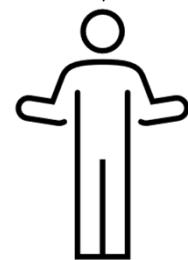
Unbelievers:  
Great White Throne



# Kingdom Entrance Judgments:



Jewish Entrance:



Gentile Entrance:

Sheep & Goats



## Summary:

- Jesus will judge Gentiles after the tribulation, before kingdom.
- The basis of judgment is Jewish treatment.
- The sheep are believers.
- The goats are unbelievers.



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