

A wide-angle photograph of a desert landscape. In the foreground, a sandy, light-brown dirt road with visible tire tracks leads from the bottom center towards the middle ground. The road is flanked by sparse, low-lying desert shrubs. In the background, a range of rugged, brown mountains rises against a pale, hazy sky. The overall tone is arid and desolate.

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

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

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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)

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- 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.”

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

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

Who is “my brethren” referring to?

- Kingdom preachers: **Apostles**
(Mt. 10:5-15, 21-23)
- 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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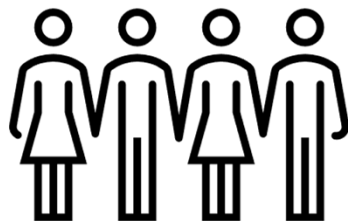
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- The verdict v. 46

Believer & Unbeliever Judgments:



Believers:
Bema Seat



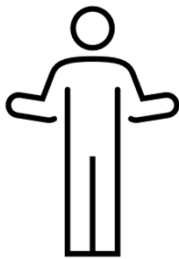
Unbelievers:
Great White Throne



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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