

Mark 13: *Destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem)*¹ and/or *The coming of the Son of Man (and the End)*²?

Temporal Chapter Outline Options³:

Outline 1

- ❖ 13:1-37: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
 - (Wright, 1996) & (Wright, 2004)

Outline 2

- ❖ 13:1-31: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
- ❖ 13:32-37: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
 - (France, 2002)

Outline 3

- ❖ 13:5-23: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
- ❖ 13:24-27: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
- ❖ 13:28-31: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
- ❖ 13:32-37: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
 - (Garland, 2015)
 - (Lane, 1974)
 - (Stein, 2014) & (Stein, 2008)
 - (Witherington III, 2001)

Outline 4

- ❖ 13:5-23: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
- ❖ 13:24-27: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
- ❖ 13:28-37: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
 - (Beasley-Murray, 1993)
 - (Hooker, 1991)

Outline 5

- ❖ 13:5-13: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
- ❖ 13:14-27: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
- ❖ 13:28-31: The destruction of the temple (and Jerusalem).
- ❖ 13:32-37: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
 - (Edwards, 2002)

Outline 6

- ❖ 13:5-37: The coming of the Son of Man (and the End).
 - (Evans, 2001)
 - (Marcus, 2009)

¹ For us (2017), this event is in the past (AD 70); for Jesus and the disciples (c. AD 30) this event was in the future; for Mark and his first readers (c. AD 60-70), this event was about to occur, occurring, or had just occurred.

² For us, Jesus and the disciples, and Mark and his first readers, this event is in the future.

³ Restricted to works we have available in our Learning Center's (soon to be opening!) library. Also, what follows is (primarily) from (Stein, 2014) although it has been modified, simplified, and supplemented.

Outline 7 (oscillation / dual fulfillment / pattern-prophecy)⁴

“...a shift back and forth between an immediate and a remote future. Some of the events even seem to have a dual fulfillment, one in the destruction of the city and the other in the end time.” (Wessel, 1984)⁵

Pattern-prophecy—“one event anticipates the other... a judgment in the short term pictures or patterns a greater judgment to come at the end. The way that things happen in AD 70 anticipates how they will happen at the end. So to talk about one period is to also mirror or pattern the other... their nature will be similar.” (Bock, 2005)

Our Goal: “To understand what the author of the Gospel we call Mark meant and sought to convey by the present text of Mark 13... We will attempt to complete the following sentence: “I, Mark (the author), have written Mark 13:1-37, to communicate:⁶_____”” (Stein, 2014).

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⁴ These or similar options are aspects of a number of the above outlines as well.

⁵ The 2010, revised edition of this work [Wessel (and Strauss)] is available, but I haven't had a chance to read it; I don't know if the understanding of Ch. 13 has been modified at all.

⁶ My modification.

⁷ Cf. References on church website: Teachings & Notes.