

How did Jesus know? No. 1

Jesus was asked by his disciples “What will be the sign of your coming, and of the end of the age?” Matthew 24.3.

Notice their belief in his foreknowledge.

Jesus said, “You will hear of wars and rumours of wars . . . nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places . . . lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.” Matthew 24.6-12.

How did Jesus know all this about our end times?

And despite the world's vastness, Jesus confidently foretold, “this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.” Matthew 24.14.

What a bold statement. How did Jesus know his gospel would survive throughout the enormous span of 2000 years? And how did he know it would have reached to all nations in our time?

Of course you and I know about today's television, Internet, and global freedom of the press. These have all had a huge role in spreading the gospel worldwide.

But how did Jesus know all this would happen? Because he is God the Son.

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Jesus sees tomorrow more clearly than we see yesterday.

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