

# Treasure Hunt

- What is the significance of the Lord's coming with power δυναμις?
- How does the Lord show his power before the second coming?
- When did God make the promise to regather Israel?
- When is the final fulfillment of this promise?
- Can you name two or three intermediate links in the manifold fulfillment of this promise?
- What two things about the time of our Lord's return do the parables of Matt 24-25 teach us?

# Overview of the Olivet Discourse

Period	Mt 24,25	Mk 13	Lk 21	Description
1. Beginning of Sorrows (Mt 24:8)	3-13	5-13	8-19	The NT period, before the fall of Jerusalem. Corresponds to the first four seals of Rev 6.
2. Days of Vengeance (Lk 21:22)	(Lacking)		20-24a	Desolation of Jerusalem under Titus, AD 70.
3. Times of the Gentiles (Lk 21:24)	14	10	24b	Jerusalem is subdued by the Gentiles (Luke) and the gospel goes forth throughout all the world (Matthew).
4. Great Tribulation (Mt 24:21)	15-28	14-23	(Lacking)	“The abomination of desolation” (Dan 9:27), at the middle of Daniel’s seventieth week.
5. Coming of Son of Man (Mt 24:30)	29-31	24-27	25-28	Cosmic signs, return of Christ in glory, gathering of his saints
(6. Interlude)	24:32-25:30	28-37	29-36	Parables about, and exhortations to, watchfulness
7. Separation	25:31-46	(Lacking)		Final Judgment

# Distinguishing Matt 24:30 and Dan 7:13-14

Matthew	Dan 7:13-14
<p>24:30 and <b>they shall see</b> the <b>Son of man coming</b> in <b>the clouds of heaven</b> with <b>power δυναμις</b> and great <b>glory</b>.</p>	<p>13 I saw in the night <b>visions</b>, and, behold, <i>one</i> like the <b>Son of man came</b> with <b>the clouds of heaven</b>, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14 And there was given him</p>
<p>28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All <b>power [authority, εξουσια]</b> is given unto me in heaven and in earth.</p>	<p><b>dominion εξουσια</b>, and <b>glory δοξα</b>, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his <b>dominion εξουσια</b> is an everlasting <b>dominion εξουσια</b>, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom <i>that</i> which shall not be destroyed.</p>

Note: power δυναμις is not the same as dominion εξουσια.

- He received εξουσια before the ascension.
- He has not yet demonstrated δυναμις among the nations.

# What's special about δυναμις?

δυναμις in Daniel: Nebuchadnezzar (3:20), Darius (6:24), and the king of Syria (11:7).

→ Describes **earthly rule**.

At the Lord's return:

Mat 6:13 For thine is the kingdom, and the **power δυναμις**, and the glory, for ever.

2Th 1:7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his **mighty** angels [angels of his **power δυναμις**], 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his **power ισχυς**; 10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

In the Revelation:

Rev 4:11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and **power δυναμις**: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

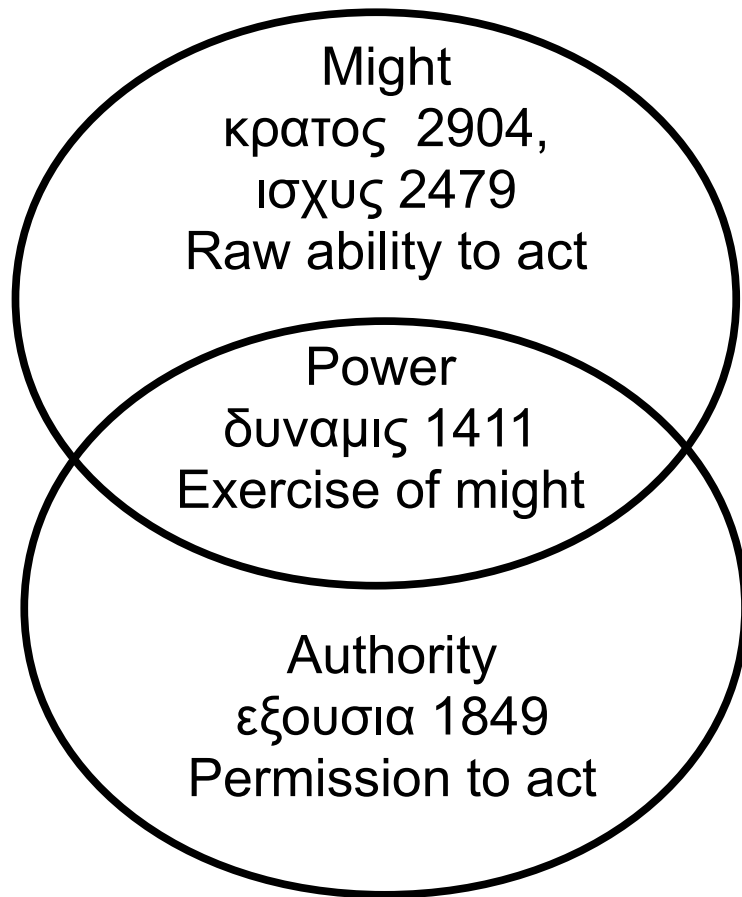
Rev 5:12 Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive **power δυναμις**, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Rev 7:11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and *about* the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, 12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and **power δυναμις**, and **might ισχυς**, *be* unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

Rev 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and **strength δυναμις**, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Rev 19:1 And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and **power δυναμις**, unto the Lord our God:

# Power in the NT



Eph 1:19 ... the exceeding greatness of [the Father's] **power δυναμις** to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his **mighty power κρατος της ισχυος**,  
20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead,

## Manifold Fulfillment of the Lord's Power

Mat 11:20 Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his **mighty works δυναμις** were done, because they repented not: 21 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the **mighty works δυναμις**, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

Act 19:11 And God wrought special **miracles δυναμις** by the hands of Paul:

# Manifold Fulfillment of Gathering: Past

## Original promise

Deu 30:3 ... the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and **gather** thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee. 4 If *any* of thine be driven out unto the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God **gather** thee, and from thence will he fetch thee:

Psa 50:3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him. 4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. 5 **Gather** my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.

## Return from the captivities

Isa 27:12 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and **ye shall be gathered** one by one, O ye children of Israel. 13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the great **trumpet** shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

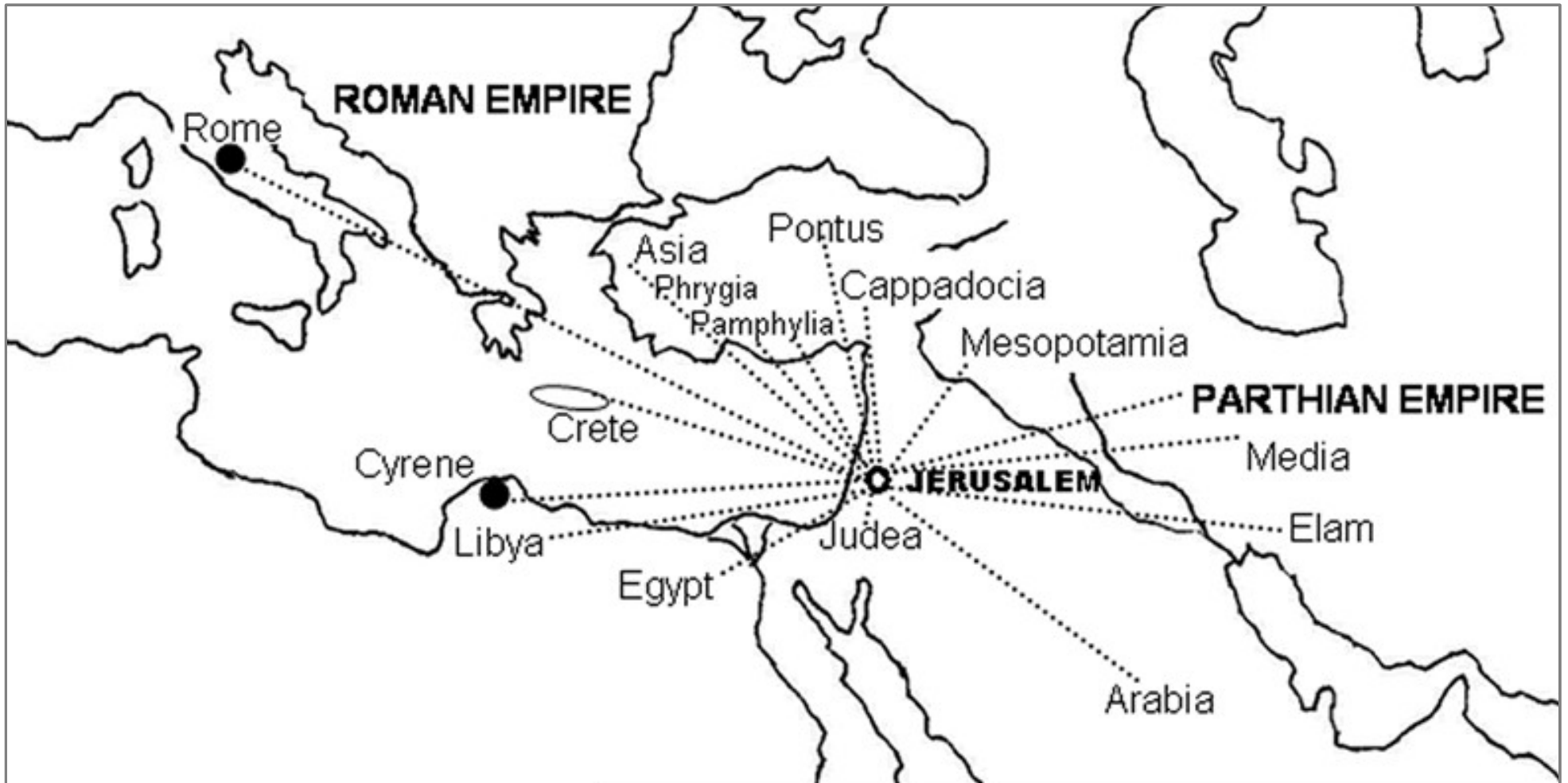
Psa 107:2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy; 3 And **gathered** them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

Zec 2:6 Ho, ho, *come forth*, and flee from the land of the north, saith the LORD: for I have spread you abroad as the four winds of the heaven, saith the LORD. (LXX for I will **gather** you from the four winds of heaven) 7 Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest *with* the daughter of Babylon.

## Pentecost

Act 2:5 And there were **dwelling at Jerusalem** Jews, devout men, **out of every nation under heaven**. ... 9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, 10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretes and Arabians, ...

# The Gathering at Pentecost



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# Manifold Fulfillment of Gathering: Future

## At the Lord's coming

1Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be **caught up** together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

2Th 2:1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and *by* our **gathering** together unto him,

## Final Restoration of Israel

Isa 11:12 And he shall set up an **ensign**  $\text{נִסִּי}$  for the nations, and shall **assemble** the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Isa 49:18 Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these **gather** themselves together, and come to thee. As I live, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them on thee, as a bride doeth. ... 22 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my **standard**  $\text{דָּגֵל}$  to the people: and **they shall bring** thy sons in *their* arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon *their* shoulders.

Isa 60:3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. ... 9 Surely **the isles** shall wait for me, and the ships of **Tarshish** first, **to bring** thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.

Isa 66:19 ... and I will send those that escape of them unto the nations, *to* Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw the bow, *to* Tubal, and Javan, *to* the isles afar off, that have not heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; and they shall declare my glory among the Gentiles. 20 And **they shall bring** all your brethren *for* an offering unto the LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the LORD, ...