

Bible Readings ~ 12/2

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will fulfill my gracious promise with the people of Israel and Judah.

In those days and at that time, I will raise up a righteous branch from David's line, who will do what is just and right in the land.

In those days, Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety.

And this is what he will be called:

The Lord is our Righteousness.

Luke 21:25-36

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars.

On the earth, there will be dismay among nations in their confusion over the roaring of the sea and surging waves.

The planets and other heavenly bodies will be shaken, causing people to faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world. Then they will see the Son of Man coming on a cloud with great splendor.

Now when these things begin to happen, stand up straight and raise your heads because your redemption is near."

Jesus told them a parable, "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, you know that God's kingdom is near. I assure you that this generation won't pass away until everything has happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will certainly not pass away.

“Take care that your hearts aren’t dulled by drinking parties, drunkenness, and the anxieties of day to day life. Don’t let that day fall upon you unexpectedly, like a trap. It will come upon everyone who lives on the face of the whole earth. Stay alert at all times, praying that you are strong enough to escape everything that is about to happen and to stand before the Son of Man.”