

Studies In Luke (43)
“The Signs Of The Times”
(Luke 12:54-59)

- A. The Text – Context is 2nd Coming of Christ
 - 1. Get your work done (2 Tim. 4:6-8)
 - 2. Be at peace with fellows (Eph. 4:26)
 - 3. Be faithful to God (1 Cor. 4:2)

- B. The Signs
 - 1. Roman Empire – By 100 B.C. had conquered the Mediterranean world and fell in 476 A.D.
 - a) Disputed elections
 - b) Internal unrest
 - c) Small farmers forced out by larger
 - d) Deficits in trade
 - e) Local government taken over by the state
 - f) Corruption in government
 - g) Divided empire
 - 2. Jerusalem – Matt. 24 and A.D. 70
 - a) Four general signs
 - b) One specific sign
 - 3. The United States
 - a) Then
 - b) Now

- C. The Second Coming
 - 1. General signs (see 2 Pet. 3:9)
 - 2. No specific signs (Matt. 24:36-44)
 - 3. No second chance (2 Thess. 1:7-9)