THE SIGNS OF CHRIST'S COMING, PART 6: THE SIGN OF THE SON OF MAN (Matthew 24:29-31)

- I. The ORDER of Events (Matt. 24:29*a*)
 - A. Will have been preceded by 3 ½ YEARS of GREAT TRIBULATION (24:15-28)
 - 1. The EVIL rule of the "Abomination of Desolation"
 - 2. The MARTYRDOM of millions of JEWS and CHRISTIANS
 - 3. The EVANGELISM of the 144,000 sealed witnesses
 - 4. The CONVERSION of millions around the world
 - B. This SIGN will follow IMMEDIATELY
- II. The TURMOIL in the Heavens (Matt. 24:29b)
 - A. The SUN and MOON will be DARKENED (cf. Isa. 13:10)
 - B. "STARS will FALL from the sky" (cf. Isa. 34:4; Rev. 6:13)
 - C. "The POWERS of the heavens will be SHAKEN"
 - 1. DISRUPTION of the *cosmos*
 - 2. Providing an EXPERIENCE of universal CHAOS
- III. The SIGN in the Sky (Matt. 24:30*a*; cf. Dan. 7:13-14)
 - A. It is not a sign PERTAINING TO the Son of Man

- B. It is the REVELATION OF the Son of Man
 - 1. Mankind will SEE Him
 - 2. Mankind will MOURN their coming JUDGMENT
- IV. The CHARACTER of the Sign (Matt. 24:30*b*)
 - A. It is a demonstration of His IMMENSE POWER
 - 1. In His CONTROL of the UNIVERSE
 - 2. In His DESTRUCTION of the kingdom of ANTICHRIST
 - 3. In His PROTECTION and REDEMPTION of His ELECT
 - 4. In His ESTABLISHING of His KINGDOM
 - B. It is a revelation of His GREAT GLORY
 - 1. First ever DISPLAY to HUMANS
 - 2. Makes His IDENTITY impossible to MISTAKE
- V. The GATHERING by the Angels (Matt. 24:31)
 - A. They will sound a "great TRUMPET"
 - B. They will gather "His ELECT"
 - 1. Comprised of all SURVIVING Tribulation CONVERTS
 - 2. TRANSPORTING them from around the GLOBE