



*"The Signs of the Times"*  
*Matthew 16:1-3, Mark 13:28-29*  
*April 7, 2024*

*"But when these things begin to take place, stand up and lift your heads, because your redemption is near." Luke 21:28*

**Four Categories of Biblical Signs:**

**1. COSMIC Signs**

Genesis 1:14, Deuteronomy 4:19, Psalm 19:1-4, Joshua 10:12-13, Isaiah 38:7-8, Matthew 2:1-2, 27:45, 24:29-30

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**2. EARTHLY Signs**

Romans 8:21-22, Luke 21:11, Revelation 6:6, Luke 21:11

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**3. NATIONAL Signs**

Mark 13:7-8, Revelation 17:12-13, Daniel 9:27, 1 Thess 5:3

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**4. SPIRITUAL Signs**

Mark 13:12, 1 Timothy 4:1-2, 2 Timothy 3:1-5, Mark 13:9, 13, 10, Matthew 24:14, Revelation 7:9, 14

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Mark 13:28-29 "Learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup> In the same way, when you see these things happening, recognize that he is near – at the door."

**Questions to Consider:**

- Do I have a healthy and biblical balance when it comes to observing the signs of our times?
- Do I live with a biblical alertness that enables me to read and recognize the signs of His nearness?
- Or do I ignore the biblical signs and thus endanger myself of receiving Jesus' rebuke of illiteracy?
- In light of all this, will I "stand up and lift up my head" knowing the King of redemption is near?