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Jerusalem trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. Signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars. Distress of nations, men's hearts failing them for fear. When these things begin to pass,—that is certainly dealing with something you cannot say just when. It's hard to recognize.

means as the age goes on, you realize the time is drawing near, but the practical aspect is brought out in verse 36. Watch, therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. Be vigilant. Be watchful. Be on your guard. Mark has this note stressed four times in the thirteenth chapter. In Mark 13, we find the first part of it telling us when they say, "Here's Christ, there's Christ, don't believe them. Don't think somebody can tell you exactly when He's coming. You may be deceived in such ways. Verse 32 says; of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father. Take heed, watch and pray; for ye know not when the time is. This doesn't seem to suggest that we have signs which tell us that it is coming soon after that. It seems to suggest that at all periods we are to watch and pray because we don't know. Verse 35— Watch ye therefore: be vigilant, for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, at midnight, or at the cockerowing, or in the morning. That seems to cover the whole night. You don't know whether it is early or late. Verse 37--and what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch. That's the great practical stress in this chapter: Watch. You don't know when it is but be vigilant. Be active, be wide awake. Serve the Lord faithfully. Mr.—? Student: I was going to ask. What point would there be for the sun and the moons and the things in the heavens being mentioned if that wasn't something to be looking forward to? Well, there is a question about quite a few of these signs. Are they something to be looking for or are they simply showing the general nature of great upheavals which are to take place throughout the age and of course at the end also. Are they ^{of a} specific enough nature that they could be recognized