Chronology of Events in the Olivet Discourse in Matthew 24

Matthew Text Chronology
Chart A
- The Beginning of Birth Pains
  V-4-8
- Persecution Martyrdom Hatred
  V-9
- Falling Away Apostasy Betrayal Increasing Evil Apathy
  V-10-13
- World Gospel witness
  V-14

Then

At that time

Then the end

Verses 10-14 are actually an interlude describing what the period in verse 9 will be like. The "at that time" of verse 10 indicates this. It will be a period of persecution and martyrdom characterized by apostasy, hatred, betrayal, increasing evil, and apathy, during which time the Gospel will be preached to the whole world.

Matthew Text Chronology
Chart B
- The Beginning of Birth Pains
  V-4-8
- Persecution Martyrdom Hatred
  V-9
- Falling Away Apostasy Betrayal Increasing Evil Apathy
  V-10-13
- World Gospel witness
  V-14

Then

At that time

Then the end

Verses 15-28 are actually an interlude describing what the period in verse 9-14 will be like. As verse 15 points out, during this time the Abomination of Desolation will take place, and the "for then" of verse 21 describes that it will be a time of Great Tribulation. This Great Tribulation will be cut short for the "sake of the elect...v-22", and verses 23-28 describe that this time will be characterized by false christs and false prophets of which Jesus warned us in advance so we wouldn’t be misled at that time...v-23

3.5 yrs

Abomination of Desolation
(Dan 9:27, Rev 13:11-18)

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70th Week of Daniel