"Coming in the Clouds" Mar. 18, 2018 Mark 13:9-23 Part 2/4

Intro.

- I. The next step (vv 24-27)
 - A. After **THAT** tribulation (vv 24, vv 9-22)
 - B. Next tribulation (Joel 2:1-2; Revelation 6:12-13)
 - C. Son of Man **returns** (v 26)

Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-7; 1 Thessalonians 5:2; 2 Peter 3:10)

- 1. **Clouds**, great power, glory
- 2. Sends angels (v 27)

<u>Gather</u> the elect (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Deuteronomy 30:1-4)

- a. Believers and Israel
- b. From **everywhere**
- II. The fig tree (vv 28-29)
 - A. Sign obvious

Edible buds

Leaves but no fruit

Don't try to force prophecy into our present culture

B. At the **door** (v 29b)

III. Application

- A. **Recognize** what's happening
- B. <u>Live</u> like you <u>believe</u> it (Joel 2:12-14)

"Any reasonable person with average skills in observation should be able to recognize end-times events unfold. They are described in sufficient detail so those living on earth at that time will know what they're looking for. And when these events take place, people will not have any question about what comes next."

Action Point(s):_____

Next Week Part 4: Mark 13:30-37

¹Swindoll's Living Insights NT Commentary, Vol. 2, Tyndale,