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Matthew 24:12

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Never forget, this is a curse from God, allowing men to suffer the consequences of their own actions.

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Your Friends

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Your Children's Friends

The Characteristics of Narcissism

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And contact me if you need help.