

# Sermon-Based Discussion

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**Mark 13** And as he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!"**2** And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down."

## **Signs of the End of the Age**

**3** And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, **4** "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?" **5** And Jesus began to say to them, "See that no one leads you astray. **6** Many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. **7** And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. **8** For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

**9** "But be on your guard...

... **31** Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

## **No One Knows That Day or Hour**

**32** "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. **33** Be on guard, keep awake.<sup>[a]</sup> For you do not know when the time will come. **34** It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants<sup>[b]</sup> in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake.**35** Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows,<sup>[c]</sup> or in the morning— **36** lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.**37** And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake

**Matthew 24:42** "So be alert [give strict attention, be cautious and active in faith], for you do not know which day [whether near or far] your Lord is coming.<sup>43</sup> But understand this: If the head of the house had known what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. <sup>44</sup> Therefore, you [who follow Me] must also be ready; because the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not expect Him.

## **Group Discussion & Life Challenge**

Use these notes as discussion prompts for your group, or in your personal time with God.

### **Connect:**

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, fellowship.

### **Care:**

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

### **Challenge:**

Dive into God's Word. Use these discussion questions. Learn from each other's insight.

- 1) Is the Apostles Creed something you are familiar with? How do you think it could be helpful for believers?**
- 2) Share a time when you had a helpful conversation about a hard topic, and why was it helpful? Feel free to share a time when a conversation about a hard topic did not go well, and why?**
- 3) Are the end times something you think about? If so, what fascinates you about end times?**
- 4) What was one thing that Jesus shared in Mark 13 that was helpful for questions on end times?**
- 5) What does staying alert look like for you? What will you do to stay awake?**

### **Clarify:**

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

### **Celebrate:**

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

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## **KEY TAKEAWAYS**