



Watch Yourself - Luke 21:25-38

1. How do the different views of the end times tell you about the things that Jesus would want us to focus on and consider important?
2. If we are alive to see these end times events talked about in Luke 21, we will be amazed by God's mighty power. How do the events described in this verse give us comfort for the days ahead? Do they cause you to fear? Why or why not?
3. Jesus says something here that if we are reading too fast, we may miss. In v34, he says, "But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. Jesus knows how easy it is for us to get distracted with the things of this world. Go around the room and list some of the cares of this life that are weighing you down.
4. Spiritual growth is first a desire to be more like Jesus, to live the life of Jesus, and to open our eyes and hearts to the things of God. Then, dealing with sin becomes a byproduct of a vital relationship with Christ, rather than the central goal. In what ways can you focus less on your sin and more on being Christ-like and serving others?
5. One of the simplest ways we can "watch ourselves" is by reading God's word. Psalm 119:105 says, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Why is it so easy to put God's word on the back burner? Do you have a habit of reading God's word? How can you encourage others to read the word?
6. Disciple of Jesus, when you get stressed out, do you take the time to get alone with the Lord, to claim the promises of His Word, and to pour out our troubles to Him in prayer? If you do this, then He will direct you as to a course of action. When you do this, fear and anxiety will be replaced in our hearts by his peace and joy. Take some time to pray for one another.