

Mark 13

This passage carries some misinformation with it.

It is one of most abused and confusing chapters in Bible.
(See V7,8,17)

This passage can rattle us, or we can descandelize it.

Jesus has built a lot of comfort into his words. (See
V7,11,20)

What has scandalized this passage?

Perhaps we have taken others too seriously.

Perhaps we have taken ourselves too seriously.

Perhaps we have forgotten how Scripture is best read.

Do not forget that reading the Bible is cross-cultural
experience.

How we read the Bible is Important: respect each section.

Am I reading law, history, poetry or prophecy?

Have a respect for the situation and genre you are reading.

Jesus' words are always true, but HOW are they true?

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V4 "Tell us, when will these things happen? And what will
be the sign...?"

The disciples ask two questions—When will Temple fall,
and what will be sign?

Scholars disagree on where the answers to these questions
divide.

V5 "Jesus said to them: "Watch out that no one deceives
you."

Be Ready, not Deceived.

Jesus indicates that his words will be twisted. (V 5,6,21,22)

Be Ready, not Lazy.

Live in anticipation of Jesus' return; let it move you to
action. (Col 3:4-5)

Be Ready, not All-knowing.

(V32) Not knowing something is the sin of our age.

V26 "At that time people will see the Son of Man
coming...great power...glory."

Be Excited: As believers, we believe that the future is our
friend!

Jesus will return, and I want you to Be Ready!