



Small Group Questions
Mark 13 “Jesus and the End Times”
October 8, 2021

RECAP: Jesus commands his followers to “be on guard” (v. 9, 23, 33) and “stay awake” (v. 33, 35, 37). Instead of being filled with fear and confusion, Jesus followers should approach the end times with hope, resiliency, and a humble confidence that only comes from being known and loved by God.

1. ICEBREAKER: When you hear the words “end times,” what comes to mind?
2. Re-read v. 7. Have you ever struggled with interpreting verses like this through an American lens first instead of a Christ-centered lens? If so, what might that look like?
3. What is discouraging about Jesus’ prediction of ends times? What is encouraging about having the predictions before the events happen?
4. Are there current events you feel might be fulfilling some of this prophesy? If so, what should we do in light of these events?
5. What are some indications from this passage that God is still completely in control of events all the way to the end time? How is this encouraging today?
6. Living in between the earthly ministry of Jesus and his return can be difficult. How do we balance spending time looking for fulfillments of prophesy and living on mission here and now?
7. What’s one remaining question you have about the end times? It can be as open-ended as possible. When we think deeply about the things of God, we’re actually worshipping God with our minds (Matthew 22:37)!
8. *****Close in prayer – consider splitting up in men and women to share more openly how you can pray for one another.*****