



Welcome: Share a favorite summer-time activity with your group and why you love it.

Worship: Listen to “[Jesus, Strong and Kind](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T5Y8s-Sz_ac)” by City Aight
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Word: Read [Matthew 24:36-51](#)

1. What stood out to you in this week’s message? Why do you think it caught your attention?
2. *Reference v. 36*—Pastor Bryan noted that this was among one of many instances when Jesus chose not to assert his divinity, but spoke in terms of his human nature as the Son of Man. Why do you think he chose to do that? How does his response show us it is okay that we do not know the exact date/time of His coming?
3. *Reference vv. 37-41*—What were the “days of Noah” like and how does that compare to our culture and times today? What was Noah’s response like? How do you think the church should respond in today’s culture and times?
4. *Reference vv. 42-47*—What are the two ways that we will have the capacity to respond faithfully? What mindset do we need to take to be ready for the second coming of Christ? What does the wise and faithful *steward* do that is anticipating the coming of Christ?
5. *Reference vv. 48-51*—This is the servant that says, “I don’t think He’s coming.” “I don’t believe in the coming of Christ.’ Do you truly believe in the coming of Christ? What is the warning for those who do not believe?
6. **Application:** How can we be prepared for the coming of Christ eternally? Discuss this practically: *How will you choose to show up in your everyday lives, to live as wise and faithful steward--truly believing in--and anticipating the coming of Christ?*

Witness: Pastor Bryan passionately expressed his convictions that “*Salvation is coming through Truth and the Great Harvest is coming through Truth.*” The Church must stand firm in truth, without compromise, to be salt and light in this world. Action: Close by reading Psalm 119:1-18. Pray and ask the Lord to open your eyes that you may behold the wondrous things of God, the life-giving Truth in His Word. May we store up His word in our hearts (v.11) that we may be salt and light in all the places He sends us throughout our week.