



The End Part II | The End | Mark Allen | 8.24.25

OPENING PRAYER & ICEBREAKER

Icebreaker Question: What's one thing you remember learning about the end times growing up? How did it make you feel?

KEY SCRIPTURE

- Luke 17:26-29
 - Genesis 6:5-8
 - Genesis 19:1-11
 - 2 Peter 3:3-9
 - 1 Timothy 4:1
 - Jude 18-19
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Sermon Overview

Pastor Mark explored how we can recognize the signs of the end times by examining two biblical examples: the days of Noah and the days of Lot. Jesus said that the conditions present in both these periods would be repeated when He returns. The sermon emphasized the importance of knowing God's Word to avoid deception, recognizing the doctrine of demons manifesting through sexual perversion and wickedness, and understanding that God's patience is giving people time to repent before judgment comes.

Key Sermon Takeaways

- The end is coming, and the signs Jesus gave us are evident today—conditions mirror both Noah's and Lot's times
 - Knowing God's Word is essential to avoid deception in the last days
 - The doctrine of demons manifests primarily through sexual perversion and redefining God's design
 - God's patience in delaying judgment is an expression of His desire for people to repent and be saved
 - Noah found grace—salvation is available through faith in Jesus Christ, not our own righteousness
 - The "clock is ticking" but we don't know when it will go off—today is the day of salvation
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Discussion Questions

Understanding the Times (15-20 minutes)

1. Jesus said it would be "just as it happened in the days of Noah" and "the same as happened in the days of Lot." What specific conditions existed in both periods that we see reflected in our world today?
2. Pastor Mark emphasized the importance of being in God's Word rather than just relying on apps or summaries. Why is this particularly important in the end times? How can we practically make this a priority?
3. The sermon mentioned that "many will be deceived" in the last days. What are some ways deception is creeping into the church today? How can we guard against it?

The Doctrine of Demons (15-20 minutes)

4. 1 Timothy 4:1 says that in the latter times, some will fall away "paying attention to deceitful spirits and the doctrine of demons." What does Pastor Mark identify as the primary manifestation of this doctrine? Do you agree? Why or why not?

5. Pastor Mark discussed how the rainbow has been co-opted as a symbol of pride in sexual perversion, mocking God's covenant promise. How should Christians respond to cultural symbols being redefined in ways that contradict Scripture?
6. Pastor Mark said, "Anytime demons get involved, it always involves sexual perversion." How does understanding this help us interpret what's happening in our culture regarding gender identity and sexuality?

Grace, Mercy, and Judgment (15-20 minutes)

7. Noah "found grace in the eyes of the Lord" (Genesis 6:8). What's the difference between mercy and grace? Why is this distinction important for understanding salvation?
8. The sermon pointed out that Lot was willing to offer his daughters to the wicked men to protect the angels. What does this tell us about how the world can compromise our values? Are there ways we might be "throwing our children to the wolves" today?
9. 2 Peter 3:9 says God is "patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance." How does this explain why God hasn't brought the end yet? How should this truth affect our evangelism and prayer life?

Personal Application (15-20 minutes)

10. Pastor Mark's wife asked him: "What would you do if you knew this was the last year we had on earth before the Lord returns? Would you do anything different?" How would you answer that question? What does your answer reveal about your current spiritual priorities?
 11. The sermon mentioned that we should be "looking for the return of the Lord" even if it's 100 years away. How does living with this expectation change our daily decisions, relationships, and priorities?
 12. Pastor Mark said, "If I have to do something different, I'm not doing what's right." What areas of your life might need to change if Jesus were returning soon? What steps can you take this week to align your life more closely with God's will?
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Practical Applications

This Week's Challenge

Choose one of the following to implement this week:

1. Get in the Word Daily

Commit to reading one chapter from Genesis (chapters 6-9 about Noah or chapters 18-19 about Lot) each day this week. Journal what God reveals to you about the parallels to our current times.

2. Evaluate Your Witness

Make a list of people in your life who don't know Jesus. Pray for them daily this week, asking God for opportunities to share the gospel. Remember: God's patience is giving them time to repent.

3. Digital Detox

Identify one area where worldly influences (social media, entertainment, news) may be shaping your thinking more than Scripture. Take a break from it this week and replace that time with Bible reading and prayer.

4. Family Conversation

If you have children or influence young people, have an intentional conversation about God's design for sexuality, gender, and marriage. Use Scripture to ground the discussion.

5. Repentance Check

Ask the Holy Spirit to search your heart (Psalm 139:23-24). Confess any areas where you've compromised with the world's values and recommit to following Christ fully.

Prayer Focus

Pray for:

- Eyes to see the signs of the times clearly
 - Protection from deception and the doctrine of demons
 - Boldness to stand for biblical truth in a culture that mocks God
 - Lost friends and family members to come to repentance before it's too late
 - The church to wake up and prepare for Christ's return
 - Personal holiness and readiness for the Lord's coming
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Looking Ahead

Next Week's Preparation: We'll continue exploring "The End" series. Come prepared to discuss what you're learning and how God is speaking to you about the end times.

Closing Question

"The clock is ticking. If you need to do something different, now's the time." What is one specific action you will take this week in response to this sermon?¹⁷

Closing Prayer

Close by praying 2 Peter 3:9 over your group, thanking God for His patience and asking Him to use your group members to reach others before the end comes.
