



Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

Title: The Final Hour

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Prayer

"Dear God, We see the deception and confusion in the world around us. Give us wisdom and discernment to stay on Your path, and the courage to stand strong in our faith. Protect our young people from lies, and use us to share Your hope with a world that desperately needs it. Thank you for the victory Jesus won on the cross. We are more than conquerors through Him! In His name, Amen."

Message Theme

Signs to look for before Jesus' Return

Key Truths

Signs of the End Times: Jesus and the apostles warned about moral decay, deception, and a rebellious attitude towards God's authority as key indicators of the end times.

The Holy Spirit's Role: The Holy Spirit prepares and equips believers to stand firm in their faith during challenging times.

Perilous Times: The last days will be characterized by risky, dangerous, and treacherous circumstances, creating opportunities for fear and anxiety.

The Devil's Deception: The enemy will use well-packaged information and seductive spirits to lead people astray from God's truth.

God's Equipping: Believers are called and anointed to be priests, proclaiming the kingdom of God and living out their unique purpose.

Victory in Christ: Christians are equipped with the Holy Spirit and the power of Jesus' blood to overcome the enemy's schemes and stand strong in their faith.

Practical Application

You are not alone in facing the challenges of this world. By embracing the power of the Holy Spirit, clinging to the truth of God's Word and living out your calling as a believer, you can overcome any obstacle and walk in the victory that Christ has won for you.

Embrace the Holy Spirit's Guidance: Seek a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit through prayer and Bible study. Ask for His guidance and discernment in navigating the challenges of life. Allow the Holy Spirit to fill you with courage and empower you to stand firm in your faith.

Guard Against Deception: Be vigilant about the information you consume and the sources you trust. Test everything against the truth of God's Word. Surround yourself with godly influences and wise counsel.

Live Out Your Calling: Discover your unique gifts and talents, and use them to serve God and others. Don't underestimate the impact of even small acts of service and kindness. Be bold in proclaiming the kingdom of God wherever you go.

Trust in God's Victory: Remember that Jesus has already defeated the devil and won the ultimate victory. Claim your authority in Christ over the enemy's schemes and temptations. Don't allow fear or anxiety to cripple you; instead, trust in God's protection and provision.

Share the Good News: Be a beacon of hope in a world filled with darkness and confusion. Share the gospel with those who are lost and struggling. Extend love and compassion to those who are hurting and in need.

Reference Verses

- Matthew 24:3
- Romans 3:25
- 1 Timothy 4:1
- 2 Timothy 3:1
- 2 Thessalonians 2:3
- Isaiah 5:20

Declarations

- *I declare that I will not be deceived! I refuse to be led astray by the lies and schemes of the enemy.*
- *I stand firm on the solid foundation of God's Word. I embrace the truth of the gospel and the power of Jesus' blood.*
- *I am a chosen vessel, called and anointed for such a time as this. I will not cower in fear, but rise up in faith to share the hope of Christ with a world in need.*
- *The Holy Spirit empowers me, and the victory of Jesus is mine! I will not be overcome by the darkness, but will shine as a light in this generation.*

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture Reference

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Matthew 24:3 (KJV) And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying...

When = Póte: Tell us precisely, exactly

What = TI: Minute, minuscule detail

Sign = Semeion: A road marker

End = Synteleias: Wrap up of the world

World = aiōnos: Wrap up of this current age

Matthew 24:4 (KJV) And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

Deceive = Planao: A person, people or nation who has gone astray

1 Timothy 4:1 (KJV) Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times...

Latter = husteros: At the very very end of the age when not much is left over

1 Timothy 4:1 (KJV) ...some shall depart from the faith...

Depart = ahistémi: One who steps away from what he once believed

1 Timothy 4:1 (KJV) ...some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils...

Seducing = Planao: To try to lure people in another direction

Spirits = daimonion: Unseen spirits that cause lunacy

Doctrines = didaskalia: Well packaged information

Giving Heed = prosechō: One who turns to listen to something else

2 Timothy 3:1 (KJV) This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

Know = ginōske: This is something you must know

That = hoti: Pointer word, specifically that

Last Days = eschatos: What is final, what is ultimate

Last Days = eschatos: The very, very end of a thing

Perilous = chalepos: Something that is risky

Times = kairos: Opportunity

Matthew 8:28 (KJV) And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

2 Thessalonians 2:3 (KJV) Let no man deceive you by any means...

Falling away = apostasia: mutinous attitude toward authority

To Stand = histemi: Surrounded by it on every side

2 Thessalonians 2:3 (KJV) ...for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition...