

# LUKE 21

## Developing a Biblical World View

*34 "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly. 35 For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth.*

*Lk 21:34-35.*

What is a worldview? It's the lens by which you see the entire world. People have differing viewpoints of what life and the world is. Some say YOLO, (you only live once) and strive to live for themselves and for worldly pleasures, others might live for financial gain. But Christians should be able to see the world through the lens of the Bible. When I think of a Biblical worldview, the verse that comes to mind most is Romans 12:2 "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." It's the transforming of our minds through scripture that allows us to 'see' the world through God's eyes rather than human eyes. Human eyes today only see through the lens of emotion, feeling, or hormones. There is very little critical thinking left in the world, which is why we must train ourselves, that is to discipline ourselves, to be STUDENTS of God's Word. When a hard question comes up, rather than leaning on our own understanding we should FIRST consult scripture and ask 'How does Scripture answer this question?' From there we can allow scripture to inform our lives on everything between relationship issues and Current Events.

In this week's study, we are looking at current events in Israel and what Scripture says about the end times. Do these two topics connect or conflict? How can we train ourselves not to jump to conclusions and trust Scripture?

**Read Luke 21 together. What does this tell us about the end times, what must we prepare for?**

### Discussion Questions

1. What was your worldview before Christ? How is it different now that you follow Christ?
2. What has been the most challenging Bible verse or passage for you? How has it shaped your worldview?
3. How does knowing the end could come at any time affect the way you live for the Gospel? Does it promote a sense of urgency? Or a sense of futility or peace?
4. We live in the midst of a "War of god's" meaning every moment spiritual beings are influencing this world. There is one true God and thousands of false 'gods' at war with Him that are trying to distract from the gospel. How do you see the spiritual war played out in your everyday life? (Governments, cultural, personal)
5. Scripture shows us that severe persecution is coming. How do you prepare for persecution? How should the church brace for global persecution? (How about for the next generation?)