Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

Summer Series: You Asked For It

Message: From Here to Eternity: "What Does the Bible Say About the End of the World?" Speaker: Shawn Vandop Date: June 16, 2024



Connect (25min)

*Split into groups of 3-4 to enhance your sharing.

1. Beaches, Blessings & Battles

- **a.** What is your favorite *Beach* in British Columbia? Where would you go if you could visit any Beach in the world?
- **b.** Share 3 *Blessings* from your life experience this past week. (3 things you're thankful for)
- c. Share 1 or 2 battles you're currently facing (physical/health, emotional, spiritual, relational, or other).
- **d.** Read <u>Ephesians 6:10-18</u>. Give thanks to God and pray for one another.

Message Discussion (45min)

1. The End of the World as We Know It

- a. What is your favorite "End of the World" movie, and why?
- b. How often do "End of the World" themed conversations come up in your family and community (work, school) and what are some of the general ideas about the End of the World in our culture?
- c. What does the Christian worldview have to offer that's different, and better?

2. Sunday Feedback - What is one new thing you learned from Sunday's message?

- a. Do you believe we are living in the "last days?" Why/why not?
- b. Why do you think Jesus is taking so long to come back?
- c. What does "eschatology" mean? (The study of last things)

3. Essential for the End - Read 2 Peter 3:3-10

- a. What jumps out at you from this passage of Scripture?
- b. What is the one thing we must all agree on when it comes to the end of time (that Jesus is coming back)
- c. What areas of eschatology can we have differing opinions about? Discuss.
- 4. Timeline Talk Shawn walked through a basic "Last Days" timeline. Can you remember what he said? What were your thoughts on what He taught? Does your "timeline" differ? What part of the timeline is new to you? What questions do you have?
 - a. The Cross & Resurrection
 - **b.** The Day of Pentecost
 - c. The Church Age This is where we are in the timeline
 - d. The Rapture of the Church ??? (Pre-Trib/Mid-Trib/Post-Trib) or No Rapture?
 - e. The Great Tribulation (on earth)
 - f. The Return of Christ with His Church Christ returns with His Church to the earth
 - **g.** The Battle of Armageddon
 - h. The 1000 Year Reign of Christ
 - i. The Final Judgment
 - j. The New Heaven and Earth Revealed

5. Prepared & Enduring - Read <u>Matthew 24:3-14</u>

- a. What are the signs that Jesus told us to look for? How should we be preparing?
- b. What is the "sign" that we most often overlook (see v.14) and how should this impact and inspire us?
- c. What does the Greek word "Maranatha" mean? (The Lord is coming)

Application & Prayer (20min)

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1. Challenge – How should we live in the light of the last days?

- a. If you knew the world would come to an end tomorrow, what would you do differently right now?
- b. What is stopping you from making the changes you mentioned?
- c. Are you ready for Chist's return? Why or why not? How about your family, friends and community?
- In response to Sunday's Message and our discussion:
 How can we pray for you and the people in your life who need to know Jesus?
- 3. Continue to Pray for our 2024 Prayer Goals.

