



This 12 week series will journey through the gospel of Mark. Each week we will focus on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Use these guides in your small group or with your spouse or grab a friend and work through the questions together. There will be a Mark Study Group for anyone that's interested on Sunday nights October 14th to December 9th from 6:30 pm-7:45 pm in the church basement. We will have the coffee on so come and journey with us as we learn more about the *Adventure of Discipleship!*

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If you knew the world was going to end in 6 months, how would you live differently?

What excites you most about a new heaven and a new earth?

What makes you anxious as you think about them?

In this week's sermon we looked at Jesus' teaching on events that will precede his second coming. In this study we'll touch on Mark 13 and look at a couple of other passages that deal with the same event.

### READ MARK 13:1-4

What are some reasons that Jesus' statement in verse 2 would have shocked the disciples?

Identify the 2 questions the disciples asked Jesus as a result.

### 2 PETER 3:1-15

According to the apostle Peter, why is Jesus 'slow' in returning (v.9)? What does this tell us about God?

What specific instructions does Peter give us as we wait for Christ's return? Which do you find most challenging?

### READ 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-5:11

What does Paul add to the list of instructions Peter gave?

How do the words of Paul and Peter relate to what Jesus was referring to?

### READ MARK 13:32-37

Jesus says, "Be on guard, be alert, keep watch" numerous times in these verses (+ several times in the previous section of the chapter). What are we supposed to watch out for?

What are the risks of being 'unguarded'?

How are these passages challenging to you as we celebrate advent and wait for Christ's return?