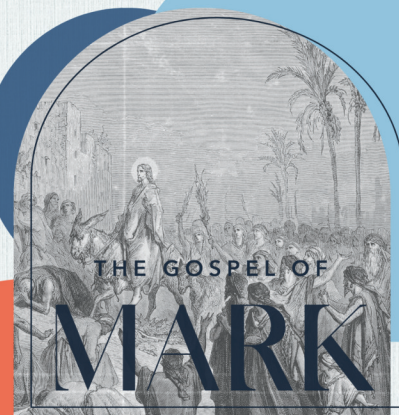


APRIL 14, 2024

THINGS TO COME, PT. 2

Pastor Roger Poupart // Mark 13:14-23



PREPARE YOUR HEART & MIND

Begin this time in prayer, confessing any sins you can recall, thanking the Lord for the gift of His Word, and asking for His Spirit to guide you in your time.



14 "But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where it should not be (let the reader understand), then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains. 15 The one who is on the housetop must not go down, or go in to get anything out of his house; 16 and the one who is in the field must not turn back to get his coat. 17 But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! 18 But pray that it may not happen in the winter. 19 For those days will be a time of tribulation such as has not occurred since the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will. 20 Unless the Lord had shortened those days, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom He chose, He shortened the days. 21 And then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ'; or, 'Behold, He is there'; do not believe him; 22 for false Christs and false prophets will arise, and will show signs and wonders, in order to lead astray, if possible, the elect. 23 But take heed; behold, I have told you everything in advance.



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REFLECT/CONNECT

Use these questions for a time of individual reflection or to connect with others in meaningful conversation.

- In what ways were you encouraged by last week's study?

- When you think of great peril, trouble, or suffering, which historical events come to mind?

These questions are designed as a guide for individual study and to foster spiritual conversation with a group of people.

GROW IN THE WORD

- 01.** Jesus warned the disciples that the appearance of the "abomination of desolation" would signal destruction in the land. He instructed his followers to flee immediately at this sign. Jesus said that those days would bring unprecedented tribulation and suffering the world has yet to experience (v. 14-20).
 - Based on Jesus' description in these verses and the cross-references below, what are some things associated with the "abomination of desolation"?
See also Dan. 9:25-27; 11:31-32; 12:11; Matt. 24:15.

GROW IN THE WORD

- How would you describe Jesus' tone as He provided instructions for what people are to do in response to the "abomination of desolation"?

- Reflecting on the urgency of Jesus' warning in verses 15-19, how can we cultivate a similar readiness and urgency to respond to God in our present day? Consider also 1 Thess. 5:1-11.

02. Jesus repeated his warning about false messiahs and false prophets. They would be present still performing signs and wonders to lead God's people astray. Jesus commanded his disciples to "be on guard" knowing what was to come (v. 21-23).

- What demeanor or attitude does Jesus instruct His disciples to adopt when it comes to false christians and false prophets?

GROW IN THE WORD

- How do we guard against deception in our own lives so that we are not led astray by false teachers? See 1 John 4:1-3; Ephesians 4:14-15.

- In what ways can you seek to "be on your guard" in light of this passage?

UPCOMING EVENTS

FATHER DAUGHTER ROUNDUP

April 20 | 5 - 8:30 pm | Registration Required

Dads & Daughters (K-12), are invited to join us for this great evening where you can invest in your relationship at the Father Daughter Roundup at [Hidden Springs Youth Ranch](#). Be sure to register on our website or app by April 17 to save your spot!

BLOOM: GOD IS DOING A NEW THING

April 26 & 27 | Registration Required by April 24

Ladies, this conference is for you! Come hear about and be a part of where God is leading the Women's Ministry at Wayside Chapel while spending time in worship, fellowship, and engaging breakout sessions. Register now and invite a friend!

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Pray to begin your group time. Remind the group why you are meeting: to connect in meaningful relationships, to grow spiritually, and to engage in the life and work of the church together. Reflect on the values you want to share as a group (i.e. confidentiality, authenticity, grace).

CONNECT (30-40 MIN)

You can use these suggestions to foster connection and build community in your group. You can break your group into smaller parts if needed, pick a question to discuss, and let each member get to know one another.

- Spend a few minutes catching up with one another. Share updates from previous prayer requests.
- Discuss the second question Reflect/Connect section of the passage guide or pick an icebreaker to begin your discussion.

GROW (30-40 MIN)

Gather back as a big group if you broke up earlier and have one person pray over your time discussing God's word. As you discuss, don't worry if there are questions left unanswered or unresolved. Reach out to ministry leaders or pastors for any needed clarification.

- Select 2-3 questions from each section. Pick the questions that you believe will be most helpful to your group. Reserve the last two questions for the end of the discussion.
- Read any cross-references together and discuss.

ENGAGE (30-40 MIN)

Reflect on the biblical truth God revealed to you this week and discuss a plan of action to apply what you have learned. Gather in smaller groups of 2-4 again. Discuss your plan of action and pray for one another.

- Spend time reflecting on the last two questions of the passage guide. Pray together and seek God's guidance and aid.
- Close the group time by sharing prayer requests and praying for one another.