

# Scripture this week:

## Mark 13:24-37

<sup>24</sup> But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, <sup>25</sup> and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. <sup>26</sup> And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. <sup>27</sup> And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. <sup>28</sup> From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>29</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. <sup>30</sup> Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. <sup>31</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>32</sup> But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>33</sup> Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. <sup>34</sup> It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. <sup>35</sup> Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning— <sup>36</sup> lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. <sup>37</sup> And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.

## From Really Ugly to Jesus' Glorious 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming (Part 2 of 2)

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Be watching, be ready, be awake, be on guard, and be prepared for Jesus' 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming.

**Jesus' return will be unmistakable.**

**We better not miss the numerous signs pointing to Jesus' return.**

**Though given signs, we won't know exactly when Jesus will return.**

## Notes:

## Life Group Questions:

### Mark 13:24-37

1. Mark 13:24-27 is about Jesus' 2nd Coming. What important idea(s) are being communicated about that most significant event in these verses?
2. What is the "lesson of the fig tree" that Jesus wants His disciples to learn?
3. In 13:32-37, Jesus tells us He doesn't know the day or hour He is going to return. How does it relate to the rest of Jesus' teaching in chapter 13?
4. This is the longest block of Jesus' teaching recorded by Mark on any one topic. It is also the final teaching from Jesus in Mark's gospel. Why do you think Mark chose this topic to highlight?
5. How is it possible that Jesus knows so many of the events surrounding His return, but does not know the exact day or hour?
6. By sharing so much about His 2nd Coming, is Jesus hoping we will invest a lot of time and energy figuring out exactly when He will return? Explain.
7. Has Mark 13 brought any change to your feelings or understanding about the end times? If so, what or how?
8. What does it look like for us to "stay awake" with regard to the end times? How do we help each other "stay awake"?