

"Only what the Scriptures say."

The Gospel of Mark

GATEWAY CHURCH EDITION

Weather: It probably will be a mix of sunny and overcast skies. Temperatures will be up and down. Rain or shine, the Lord is good.

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Free

Jesus' Faithfulness; Our Folly

Mark 14:27-42

THIS IS THE END!

Tribulation

Mark 13:14-22

14 "But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not to be (let the reader under-

BIG IDEA

There are two primary views that people have of the end times but they miss the whole point. Our focus should not be on how things will end but on who is returning. Jesus tells us how we are to live in the end times. *"Don't be led astray. Don't be alarmed. Be on guard. Don't be anxious. And speak the word of God."*

THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

1. Read Mark 13:1-13 What stood out to you in the reading?
2. How were you impacted by the message this week?
 - a. What stuck with you?
 - b. Did you have any "Aha!" moments?
 - c. Was there something you needed to be reminded of?
3. What are the two popular views of the end times mentioned in the sermon? In what ways do they miss the point?
4. How are we to live in the end times according to Jesus? Talk about the five commands we were given. How could living this way be a benefit in your life?
5. How can your group hold you accountable this week? How can they encourage you?

NOTES

PERSONAL REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

Of the two views of the end times we looked at, which one have you adopted? After this week's message, how has your thinking changed?

Take some time to reflect on the five commands Jesus gives us as we live in the end times. Which one would you say you struggle with the most? Why?

How can you remind yourself daily of these truths? Try reading, writing, or listening to them.

How can you grow personally and spiritually by living out these commands in your life?

Who could you personally impact with this message? Tell them about it in your own words.

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Pray: That we would live the life Jesus has called us to in these end days. Commit to praying for each other throughout the upcoming week. At your next meeting, follow up with each other's prayer requests.

Write: Write out the five commands given to us by Jesus in a journal so you see them during morning devotionals. -OR- Write them on sticky notes and place them throughout the house so you see them on a regular basis. Visit <https://www.gatewayepc.org/thegate> to view the sermon manuscript to review the message.

Sing: Visit <https://www.gatewayepc.org/the-gate/2022/2/1-songs-for-the-weekend-feb-6> and listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

Memorize: As a Life Group, pick a few verses from the sermon and memorize them this week. (Mark 13:1-13; John 2:18-22)

Love: How can you echo the message of Christ's love this week? How can this message of love encourage someone you know?