

QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe the various ways you prepare for the holidays. How far ahead do you prepare for the holidays?

2. In what ways should we prepare for the return of the Lord?

3. Read the following passages and note the Bible says about the Lord's return for believers:
 - a) Matthew 24:44
 - b) Mark 13:32
 - c) I Thessalonians 4:16-17
 - d) I Thessalonians 5:2
 - e) Hebrews 9:28
 - f) Revelation 1:7
 - g) Revelation 22:12

4. Why did Jesus tell the disciples they did not need to prepare beforehand in how they answered those who opposed the Gospel?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week's message? (*Share your decision with another person.*)
 - I am going to establish a reading plan for the upcoming year to read through the Bible.
 - I am going to go through each week's Bible study notes or join a Bible study group to study the Bible more in-depth.
 - I am going to memorize Matthew 24:44.

Cornerstone Church
Luke 21:5-19

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Study Series #089

The Signs of the Return of Jesus Christ

I. Introduction

A. Be Prepared

(Amos 4:12; Hebrews 9:27)

B. The Olivet Discourse

(See Matthew 24:1-25:46; Mark 13:1-37; Luke 21:5-36)

C. The Great Tribulation

(See I Corinthians 15:51-58; I Thessalonians 4:13-18)

II. The Signs of the Return of Jesus Christ

A. The Observation

(See Luke 21:5; Matthew 24:1; Mark 13:1; I Chronicles 29:8)

B. The Declaration

(See Luke 21:6; Matthew 24:2; Mark 13:2)

C. The Question

(See Luke 21:7; Matthew 24:3; Mark 13:3-4;
I Corinthians 1:22; Luke 19:11; I Thessalonians 4:17;
Zechariah 14:4)

D. The Explanation

(See Luke 21:8-11; Matthew 24:4-7; Mark 13:5-8; I John 2:18)

E. The Preparation

(See Luke 21:12; Matthew 24:8-12; Mark 13:9-10)

F. The Instruction

(See Luke 21:13-17; Mark 13:11-12; Acts 24:10-26:32)

G. The Consolation

(See Luke 21:18-19; Matthew 24:13-14; Mark 13:13;
James 1:2-4)

III. Conclusion

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service and he or one of our church leaders will be glad to speak with you.

Passage of Study

Luke 21:5-19

⁵ And while some were talking about the temple, that it was adorned with beautiful stones and votive gifts, He said, ⁶“*As for* these things which you are looking at, the days will come in which there will not be left one stone upon another which will not be torn down.”

⁷ They questioned Him, saying, “Teacher, when therefore will these things happen? And what *will be* the sign when these things are about to take place?”

⁸ And He said, “See to it that you are not misled; for many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am *He*,’ and, ‘The time is near.’ Do not go after them. ⁹ When you hear of wars and disturbances, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end does not follow immediately.”

¹⁰ Then He continued by saying to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, ¹¹ and there will be great earthquakes, and in various places plagues and famines; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven.

¹² “But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you, delivering you to the synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for My name’s sake.

¹³ It will lead to an opportunity for your testimony. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare beforehand to defend yourselves; ¹⁵ for I will give you utterance and wisdom which none of your opponents will be able to resist or refute. ¹⁶ But you will be betrayed even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put *some* of you to death, ¹⁷ and you will be hated by all because of My name. ¹⁸ Yet not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your lives.

Parallel Passage of Study

Matthew 24:1-13

Parallel Passage of Study

Mark 13:1-13

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