

Discussion Guide

Keep Watch
September 6/7, 2025

PART 1: RECAP. HAVE SOMEONE READ THIS OUT LOUD.

We wrapped up Mark 12 last week by reading a portion of scripture that shows the difference between knowing about Jesus versus having a personal relationship with him. This week is another long passage, but the message behind it can give us a better understanding of how to live in light of who Jesus is, what he has done, and what he plans to do. We can have hope that Jesus will return one day and make everything right again.

- What's the best surprise, a party or otherwise, that you've been part of?
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PART 2: HAVE SOMEONE READ MARK 13:1-37 OUT LOUD. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS AS A GROUP.

- Why do you think Jesus warns his disciples to not be deceived (vss. 5-8) and to watch out for deceptive people (21-23) concerning the coming events? Why do you think Jesus ends with an exhortation to stay awake?
 - What is going to happen to the disciples and the early church? What advocate will help them endure?
 - Why do you think the timing of these future events is kept secret from people? What is the responsibility of believers in the meantime?
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PART 3: REFLECT. DISCUSS THESE QUESTIONS AS A GROUP.

- How do the words of Jesus in this chapter provide endurance and inspire hope for believers?
- Who are you intentionally investing in and inviting to know Jesus? What does your relationship with them look like?
- What areas of your life do you need to become more like Christ in? Are there steps you can take this week to work on growing in that area?

PART 4: MEMORY VERSE

Mark 13:31

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

PART 5: NEXT STEPS

- I am thankful I can have hope that one day Jesus will make everything right.
- I will keep watch for ways to love God and love others.
- I will pray and ask God to make me more like Christ by _____.
- I will invite _____ to join me for a meal, small group, or church this week.

