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### Some Principals Of Bible Interpretation

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God's Word Is \_\_\_\_\_

But No \_\_\_\_\_ Is An \_\_\_\_\_

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The Best Way To Understand The

Prophecies Of Jesus \_\_\_\_\_

Is To Study The

Prophecies Of Jesus \_\_\_\_\_

Are We In The Last Days?

When Are The Last Days?

All Of The \_\_\_\_\_ In \_\_\_\_\_

From The \_\_\_\_\_ Of \_\_\_\_\_

Until The \_\_\_\_\_ Of \_\_\_\_\_

#### Memory Verse

"The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law."

Deuteronomy 29:29

Jesus And The End Times - Mark 13

## The Big Idea

When It Comes To The End Times

Jesus Wants Us To Focus On Our \_\_\_\_\_

Not On Our \_\_\_\_\_

### How Should We Live In Light Of Eternity?

Jesus calls us to . . .

1. Be \_\_\_\_\_

2. Be \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ To The \_\_\_\_\_

#### MY NEXT STEP IS TO . . .

- Begin to follow Jesus as my Lord and Savior for the first time today
- Memorize Deuteronomy 29:29
- Ask God to help me to live my life in light of eternity
- Get the most out of this today's teaching by attending my Life group this week



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The **Plain Things** Are The **Main Things**

God's Word Is **Infallible**

But No **Individual** Is An **Infallible Interpreter**

Of God's Word

The Best Way To Understand The

Prophecies Of Jesus **Second Coming**

Is To Study The

Prophecies Of Jesus **First Coming**

Are We In The Last Days?

When Are The Last Days?

All Of The **Time** In **History**

From The **Resurrection** Of **Jesus**

Until The **Return** Of **Jesus**

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## The Big Idea

When It Comes To The End Times

Jesus Wants Us To Focus On Our **Character**

Not On Our **Calendar**

## How Should We Live In Light Of Eternity?

Jesus calls us to . . .

1. Be **Watchful**

2. Be **Faithful**

3. **Endure** To The **End**

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## Discussion Questions - Week #5

# LIFEGROUPS

### QUICK REVIEW

Thinking back to the sermon this weekend, "Jesus and the End Times," summarize the main point in a sentence or two.

Looking at your notes, was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

Do you plan on taking any practical steps this week in response to the message?

### GETTING STARTED

What is your typical response when you hear someone talking about the end times?

Popular culture today is filled with apocalyptic themes in movies, TV, and literature. What's your favorite example of this and why?

### DIGGING DEEPER

. In this weekend's message, Pastor Rick shared, "When it comes to end times, Jesus wants us to focus not on our calendars but on our character." One passage that focuses on such character is found in Matthew 25:31-46. Read the passage together. What stands out to you?

What does this parable teach us about how Christ wants us to live in light of His return?

Who do you think are "the least" that Christ refers to?

In what ways do you practice the behaviors Jesus references in your life?

Which, if any, might be missing? Why?

What does this passage reveal to us about what Jesus believed about himself?

How would you make sense of this parable in light of Paul's words in Ephesians 2:8-9?

2. Read 2 Timothy 3:1-16. In this passage, Paul tells Timothy what things will be like in the last days. Based on Paul's words, do you think the time is drawing near? Why or why not?

Do you think you are prone to focus too little or too much on the end?

What does Paul suggest should mark our lives in these times?

What point do you think Paul was trying to make by describing his own suffering in this section?

How does God's word equip us for Christ's return?

### FOR PRACTICE

Sunday, May 19, is Pentecost Sunday. Set aside time this week to prayerfully reflect on John 14:15-31 and Acts 2. As you read these passages, consider the difference the Holy Spirit has made in your life. Then, offer God praise and thanksgiving for the wonderful gift of the Spirit and ask him to show you the areas in your life where you are resistant to his leading and to give you the ability to surrender.

### SHARE IT

Is there anything you heard or learned in the weekend message or Life Group this week that you want to share with someone you know?

### PRAYER REQUESTS

In times of emergencies and disasters, including the ongoing crisis in the Middle East, Sudan, and Ukraine, children inevitably bear the heaviest burden. Please pray for places with critical humanitarian needs, where daily struggles for basic necessities affect children, families, and communities. Pray for God's provision and protection of the most vulnerable and the restoration of peace.