



The Coming Son of Man

Mark 13:1-37

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EASY WARM-UP QUESTIONS

Choose one of the following to answer:

1. What is the story behind the longest time you've gone without sleep?
2. What is a quirky or unusual fear you have?

SETTING & QUESTIONS 13:1-4

1. Why is this section of Jesus' teaching called "The Olivet Discourse"?
2. Why might it be helpful to know the location of the teaching? (An additional insight on the location in prophecy can be gained by reading Zechariah 14:1-21, especially verse 4)
3. In your own words, what was the question(s) that Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked?
4. Why do you think this question(s) resonates with so many people?

THE OLIVET DISCOURSE

PART 1: EVIL WILL CONTINUE 13:5-8

1. The events in the Middle East today are setting us up for the return of Jesus Christ. TRUE FALSE
2. What is significant to you in Jesus' description of coming evil?

PART 2: BELIEVERS WILL BE PERSECUTED 13:9-13

1. What is significant to you in Jesus' description of coming persecution?

PART 3: TRANSITION & GREAT TRIBULATION 13:14-23

1. The "abomination of desolation" is a real person. TRUE FALSE
2. What is significant to you in Jesus' description of the coming Great Tribulation?

PART 4: THE END OF THE WORLD 13:24-27

1. How is Jesus description of the end of the world significantly different than any other period of human history?
2. What is significant to you in Jesus description of the end of the world?

PART 5: REASSURANCE IN REGULARITY 13:28-31

1. These days, what reassurance is there for you in what Jesus teaches about observing the fig tree and His words?

PART 6: WARNING & WAITING 13:32-37

1. Jesus never really answers the disciple's question. Why?
2. What is the purpose of prophecy?
3. In your own words, what is Jesus' answer? (What is the "big picture" that Jesus is teaching the disciples?)

PROCESSING ALL THAT...

1. Thinking about all of what's going on in the world around us, these days, what is it like for you to be listening to Jesus?
2. These days, what does it mean for you personally to know that persecution is a significant possibility?
3. These days, how are you making obedient use of the time God has given to you?
4. Specifically thinking through your answer to question #3, these days, what does it look like for you to be personally proactive in sharing the gospel?
5. These days, what does it mean for you to be "hanging on" to the sovereignty of God?