

The Last Watch  
Upside Down Kingdom: The Gospel According to Mark  
August 31, 2025

Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

**1. Read Mark 13:1-4.**

Have you ever had to deal with the loss of something that you thought was indestructible? How did you respond and what did you learn through that process?

The Jews thought the Temple could not possibly be destroyed. Why might they have thought that?

**2. Read Mark 13:5-23.**

What indications of 'the end' does Jesus say the world will experience?

How are followers of Jesus to respond to these events?

How can persecution of Christ-followers result in the spread of the gospel?

What instructions does Jesus give to His followers who live through this time of Tribulation?

**3. Read Mark 13:24-27.**

What words of hope do you find in these verses? How do they encourage you to remain faithful in the midst of difficulty?

**4. Read Mark 13:28-37.**

Who knows when Jesus will return again? Why is it important to remember this?

What are we to be doing while we wait for Him to come again?

If you knew that Jesus would return tomorrow, how would you live differently today?

What keeps you from living that way every day?

What can you do to be actively watching for Jesus' return?

When Jesus returns, will He find you ready to meet Him? Why or why not? What do you need to do to be ready?