Sermon Discussion Guide
November 1, 2026
Mark 13

TRINITY
CHURCH

Read the sermon text (Mark 13) together and briefly summarize the main points of the sermon (see outline below). Recapping the sermon text and sermon outline can be a helpful way to start the group, even if everyone did hear the sermon. If someone did not hear the sermon, at least they have now heard the text, or part of the text…

Final Curtain
Mark 13

Sermon Discussion questions

After briefly reviewing the message outline and text, use these questions to further examine the sermon and to discuss how these truths apply to daily life, so we can "be doers of the word, and not hearers only" (James 1:22). Based on your knowledge of the people in your home group, ***select the questions that will best help you frame the group's discussion*** *of this sermon and sermon text. Don't feel like you need to discuss every question… And feel free to craft some of your own questions.*

Prime the Pump:

a) Does the topic of the End of the World scare you or excite you?
b) Have any recent events made you think "The End" was near? Y2K? The Mayan prediction of 2012? Covid? Anything else?
c) Did the Lord put anything specific on your heart as you heard the sermon or read Mark 13?

Q & A: Jesus poses questions (Mark 13:1-8)

1. Read Mark 13:1-8. What are your impressions?
2. What goes through your mind when you read of these events? (Mark 13:7-8)
3. How do these verses comfort you? (Mark 13:7) (Jn 16:33; Phil 4:6; Jam 1:2; 2 Tim 1:7; Matt 28:20; Josh 1:9; Deut 31:6)
4. Three Indicators The Stage is Being Set are the internet, the worldwide financial snapshot, and cyber church. Do you agree with these 3 examples? Can you think of any others?
5. How is your relationship with God affected when you consider the "End Times
6. How is your daily Christian walk affected when you consider the "End Times"?

Dark & Dank: An unpleasantly dim space (Mark 13:9-23)

7. Christ calls us to be on guard (Mark 13:9-10; 1 Pet 3:15) How do you try to stay "on guard"?
8. Does this verse bring you comfort? (Mark 13:11)
9. What goes through your mind when you think of the Abomination of Desolation and/or the Antichrist? (Mark 13:14-19) (Dan 9:27; 11:31; Rev 13:11-13)
10. What goes through your mind when you think of false messiahs? (Mark 13:21-22)

Rapture & Return: Jesus predicts His return (Mark 13:24-37)

11. Jesus predicts signs and His return (Mark 13:24-26)
12. This is the Two Event Interpretation—Rapture and 2nd coming. Do you think of Christ's return differently, or do you agree with this interpretation of Scripture?
    1. The Rapture: Christ returns for His church
        1. Believers meet Christ in the air (1 Thess 4:16-17)
        2. Takes place before the tribulation (Rev 3:10)
        3. Instantaneous event (1 Cor 15:51-52)
        4. Always imminent (Matt 24:27)
    2. The 2nd Coming: Christ returns with His church
        1. Believers return with the Lord (Rev 19:14)
        2. Takes place after the tribulation (Rev 19:11-14)
        3. Very visible event (Rev 1:7)
        4. Preceded by specific events (Matt 24:29-30)
13. Why do you think only the Father knows the date? (Mark 13:32-37)
14. **Application:**
    1. Do not be anxious
    2. Walk with God daily
    3. Be on guard
15. Why do you think God wanted you to hear this message?