

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Luke 21:25-38

Ice Breaker: What is an evidence of grace you have seen this week in your life?

Ice Breaker: What one random item would you pack in your “dooms-day” bag that wouldn’t be expected?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Begin by recapping where we are at in Luke. Where is Jesus at in Israel? What has been the theme of Luke in the recent chapters?
2. **Read Luke 21:25-33:** What are some of the markers that Jesus says will happen at the end? Do you know of any old testament books that also have this kind of language? Why would Jesus make a connection to the Old Testament here and how does this connection shape our interpretation of this section?
3. What passage does Luke 21:27 come from (Answer: Dan. 7)? Why is this an important Old Testament passage? Why does Jesus often use “Son of Man” as his title?
4. What does Jesus say is the purpose of “dark events” that happen in our day and age? How does this purpose change how we view disasters or tragedies? How is this view different from seeing disasters as only “judgment” for sin (Answer: This is to prepare us personally)?
5. In verses 21:29-33, Jesus talks of the season of the coming. What is he wanting to teach the disciples here? Why is the line “my words will not pass away” a good ending to this section?
6. **Read Luke 21:34-38:** What are the two things that Jesus warns us to watch out for in verse 34? Why is drunkenness one of the things Jesus says? What is the spiritual correlation to this?
7. How is drunkenness (or spiritual stupor) seen today? What temptations do you fall into that leads to spiritual lethargy? How might we, with the Lord’s help, watch out for this?
8. The second thing we are to watch out for is “cares of this life”? What might Jesus mean by this? How can cares of this life cause us NOT to be ready for that day?
9. It is easy to fill our lives with what ultimately could be defined as “spiritual-distractions”. Do you have any of these in your life? How would you identify them? What effect do you think they are having on your walk with the Lord?

Application: Spend time praying for one another to lessen the cares of this life and increase our desire to see that day draw near.