

Sermon Based Study Questions for 2.8.2015 Sermon
One Step Behind Jesus: Looking Ahead
Luke 21:5-38

We like to look ahead. Check out what's coming next. Get up to speed as we await it. Such anticipation is essential to maximize your enjoyment of an event. Looking ahead gets you ready to fully engage. Jesus knows this, so He builds some serious anticipation about the best event His followers will ever experience...

Next Step: Anticipate Jesus' Return!

Ice Breaker Questions – (choose one to answer/ask)

- What has been the most anticipated event in your life?
- What are you most looking forward to about Summer?

Opening Questions

- Is there anything from Sunday's sermon that really stood out, made an impression, challenged or confused you?
- Do difficult times of war and disaster get you thinking about Jesus' return? Why?
- Are you surprised when the world shows its hatred of your Christian faith? (John 15:18-19)
- How close do you think we can be to guessing the return of Christ?
- Do you think Jesus will return in your lifetime? What indications are there of that?
- What are you doing to intentionally anticipate the return of Jesus Christ?

Bible Study

Read Luke 21:5-38

- How do you think the disciples would have felt about Jesus' predictions about the destruction of the Temple? (vss.5-7)
- What was the spiritual purpose of God allowing His Temple to be destroyed? (vss. 20-24)
- What do verses 29-31 tell us about the timing of Christ's return?
- What does Jesus want us to do to prepare for that coming? (vss. 34-36)

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Application

- Consider for a moment the second coming of Christ. What are you most looking forward to when He finally does return?
- What needs to change in your life so you are more prepared to meet Him when He does arrive?

Scripture Memory – Luke 21:34

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