

Be Prepared !



Mark 13:1-37
Faith Builders
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MARK THEME : JESUS, THE SUFFERING SERVANT !

- Act 1 – Jesus's Public Ministry in and around Galilee (1:1 – 8:26)
- Act 2 – Jesus's Private Ministry on the way to Judea (8:27 – 10:52)
- Act 3 – Jesus's Passion (11:1 – 16:8)



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By understanding...

- I. Framework for the Future
- II. Instructions about the Immediate Future
- III. Instructions about the Distant Future
- IV. Lessons for the Future



I. Framework for the Future

A. Death (Gen. 2:17; 3:19; Rom. 5:12, 17; 6:23; 1 Cor. 15:26)

B. Rapture (1 Thess. 4:16-17; Titus 2:13)

C. Tribulation (Jer. 30:7; Dan. 9:27; 12:1; 2 Thess. 2:7-12; Rev. 16)

D. Second Coming and the Millennial Reign (Isa. 65:17-25; Rev. 20:1-7)

E. Eternity (2 Pet. 3:10; Rev. 20:15; 21:1-27; 22:1-21)



A Biblical *Ordo Eschatos*

Unknown duration	Event	7 Years	Event	1000 Years	Event	Eternity	
Death	Intermediate State	Rapture	Tribulation	2 nd Coming	Millennium	Great White Throne	Eternal State
Soul in Heaven Body in Grave	Resurrection	Heaven	Return to Earth	Earth	Present	New Heaven/ Earth	

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II. Instructions about the Immediate Future (1-2)

A. The Disciple's Amazement at the Temple Structure (1)

B. The Lord's Assessment of the Temple's Future (2)



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

A. The Disciple's Question (3-4 and Matt. 24:3)

1. When will these things (temple be destroyed) happen?
2. What will be the sign of your coming?
3. What will be the sign of the end of the age?



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

B. The Lord's Answer (5-27)

1. From Ascension to Mid-Tribulation (5-13)

- a. The Period - From the Lord's Ascension to Mid-Tribulation
- b. The Markers
 - i. Deception
 - ii. Destruction
 - iii. Disasters
 - iv. Persecution



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

B. The Lord's Answer (5-27)

1. From Ascension to Mid-Tribulation (5-13)

- a. The Period
- b. The Markers
- c. The Instructions
 - i. Expect difficult times
 - ii. Meditate on the Lord's promise
 - iii. Remember, genuine believers will endure
 - iv. The Gospel will be preached



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

B. The Lord's Answer (5-27)

1. From Ascension to Mid-Tribulation (5-13)
2. From Mid to the End of Tribulation (14-23)
 - a. The Period
 - b. The Markers
 - i. Abomination of Desolation (Dan. 9:27; 11:31; 12:11; 2 Thess. 2:3-4)
 - ii. The Great Tribulation
 - iii. Deception



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

B. The Lord's Answer (5-27)

1. From Ascension to Mid-Tribulation (5-13)
2. From Mid to the End of Tribulation (14-23)
 - a. The Period
 - b. The Markers
 - c. The Instructions
 - i. Respond with a sense of urgency
 - ii. Remember, the Lord is in control



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

B. The Lord's Answer (5-27)

1. From Ascension to Mid-Tribulation (5-13)
2. From Mid to the End of Tribulation (14-23)
3. The Lord's Second Coming (24-27)
 - a. The Period
 - b. The Markers
 - i. Changes in the Sun, Moon and the Stars
 - ii. The appearance of our Lord in the clouds
 - iii. The gathering of all of God's elect



III. Instructions about the Distant Future (3-27)

A. The Disciple's Question (3-4 and Matt. 24:3)

B. The Lord's Answer (5-27)



IV. Lessons for the Future (28-37)

A. Understand the times (28-29)

B. Be grounded in God's Word (30-32)

C. Be Alert (33-37)



Resolutions of Jonathan Edwards

5. Resolved, never to lose one moment of time; but improve it the most profitable way I possibly can.

63. On the supposition, that there never was to be but one individual in the world, at any one time, who was properly a complete Christian, in all respects of a right stamp, having Christianity always shining in its true luster, and appearing excellent and lovely, from whatever part and under whatever character viewed: Resolved, to act just as I would do, if I strove with all my might to be that one, who should live in my time.

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