

You Asked For It...

This week's reading: Matthew 24:36-51; Acts 1:10-11; 2:16-21; Titus 2:11-14; James 5:7;
John 14:3-6; Hebrews 10:24-25; Revelation 20:1-15, 22:12
Discussion Guide: April 7, 2024

CHECK UP:

Memory work: We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.
- Romans 6:4

Did you make any commitments about being baptized or remember the significance of your baptism in any particular way this past week?

OPEN:

- Who did you B.L.E.S.S. this past week? What action steps did you take?
- What influences have formed your view of the end times?

READ and ASK: Matthew 24:36-51; Acts 2:14-21; Revelation 20:1-21:5

- Which of these texts stands out to you most and why?
- What clear truths about the end times do you see in these texts?

READ and ASK: Acts 1:9-11; Matthew 25:1-30; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 10:24-25

- Which one of these texts challenges or encourages you most?
- Regardless of your end times view, the application is the same: keep watch!
 - o What does it mean to keep watch?
 - o What does it look like?
 - o People often talk about "signs of the times"; what should our response be when people speculate something is a "sign"?

APPLY:

- How does not knowing when Jesus will return impact the urgency of daily faithful living?
- NEXT STEP: In light of Jesus's return, how do you need to live more urgently this week?

Memory Work:

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. - Hebrews 10:24-25

Next Week's Reading:

Exodus 34:5-6; Psalm 25:8; Psalm 145:5-7; Isaiah 55:8-9