

BE VIGILANT

Mark 13:1-13

We are living in an age of waiting. The church has been waiting for the return of Jesus Christ for nearly 2,000 years. As we wait, the Lord wants all of His people to live with a mindset of constant vigilance before the temptations and storms of this world. Jesus shows His disciples in Mark 13 how we are to be vigilant today as we wait for His coming and face the trials of the curse.

Be Vigilant in the Church

_____ for false messiahs

Do not _____ wars and _____

_____ for persecution, but do not

_____ over the unknowns

_____ in His salvation to the _____


The Growth Group

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Getting Started

1. What was your favorite television program as a child or young adult?
2. What about that show captured your imagination?

Digging Deeper

3. Jesus' most repeated command in Mark 13 is to look or see (vs. 5, 9, 23, 33). What does it mean for the Christian to be observant or to see in this time?

Read Isaiah 13:7-8; Jeremiah 6:22-26; Micah 4:9

4. How does the OT picture the birth pangs of God's wrath?

Read Matthew 24:13-14

5. What is one reason why God allows His people to endure so much heartache during this time?

Living It Out

6. Out of all the dangers in Mark 13 (cults, heresies, natural disasters, wars, persecution, family divisions) what is most likely to produce anxiety in your heart? How can we help you to be vigilant in the fight against this worry?
7. What religions should we be prepared to oppose as they spread misleading gospels? Are you ready to stand against their attempts to pull you from Christ?