

Small Group Discussion Guide

(Week of April 24, 2022)

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What day is "that day" and how will it come upon people? What should our posture be? What exactly are we watching for? Finally, what does it to be able to stand before the Son of Man?

II. Now read [Mark 13:32-37](#). What is Jesus' repeated exhortation here? How does this relate to the analogy of master and servants? Explain the difference between being ready and sleeping as it relates to us today. Can Christians be asleep?

III. Finally read [Matthew 24:36-44](#). How does Jesus use Noah as an example of his coming. According to [Genesis 6:5-7](#), what were the days of Noah like? Have we reached that point of degeneration in modern society? Explain your answers. Jesus said, "one will be taken and the other left". Who will be taken, and taken where? And again, if Jesus will come unexpectedly, how can we keep watch for him; isn't it going to be a surprise?

Finish this segment by reading [Matthew 24:45-51](#). We're back to the master and servants analogy. Christians are to be faithful servants in charge of the household. What exactly does the Master expect us to be doing while we are waiting? In what sense are we to be giving out "food at the proper time"?

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