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the life & teaching of
Jesus in his last 7 days

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When is Jesus coming back?

Mark 13

A challenging chapter to figure-out.

1. What questions is Jesus trying to answer in Mark 13?
2. How did he answer those questions?
3. Why does this matter to us today?

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Has Jesus answered the questions?

Sort of...but not really. His main message has really been, “Stand firm, no matter how bad it gets!”

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Finally, in verse 14, a sign!

Mark 13:14-17

"When you see 'the abomination that causes desolation' standing where it does not belong—let the reader understand—then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the roof of his house go down or enter the house to take anything out. Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers!

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Did any of the events Jesus predicted ever happen?

Mark 13:24-27

But in those days, *following that distress*, " 'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.' "At that time men will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

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Mark 13:32

No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

Mark 13:33-37

Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with his assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. "Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: 'Watch!' "

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The return of Jesus is imminent.

So stand firm.

2 Peter 3:10-12

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming.

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