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THE END OF THE AGE Mark 13:1-37

Discuss review questions from the previous lesson.

AY 1: MARK 13:1-4—THE DESTRUCTION OF THE TEMPL)A	Y 1	l: Ì	M	ARK	71 3	3:1	1-4	THE	Di	ESTI	RUG	CTI	ON	OF	THE	TEM	PΙ	
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What impresses the unnamed disciple in this passage?
Jesus' prophetic response reveals a different perspective. What is it? (See Matthew 12:6; John 2:19-2 for help, but do not let these verses restrict your thinking if you have other ideas.)
Jesus' prophecy (13:2) prompts thoughtful questions, which the disciples reserve for a private moment What is uppermost in their minds?
What valid reasons might the disciples have had for asking these questions?
2: MARK 13:5-13—SIGNS OF THE TIMES As Jesus answers their questions, what does He say about the following: a. responses to avoid?
b. responses to adopt?
c. specific signs to look for?
d. hardships to expect?
e. resources to depend on?
What has to happen before the end finally comes (13:10)? See also Matthew 24:14.

DAY 3: MARK 13:14-27—THINGS TO COME

	5: MARK 15:14-2/—1HINGS 10 COME
7.	What words/phrases indicate how stressful this time will be for those who live through it?
8.	What hopeful messages are contained in these words?
9.	What group of people seems to be the focus of God's concern and provision?
	S 4 & 5: MARK 13:28-37—FAITHFUL ANTICIPATION Who knows the details of the future?
11.	What does Jesus say to the believer who hears these words?
12.	In what practical ways could you fulfill Jesus' commands to "be on guard," "stay awake"?
13.	As one of Christ's "servants in charge" (13:34) have you identified the "work" assigned to you while you "stay awake" and watch for the Master? What is your calling?
14.	How does knowing all these things affect your Christian walk?

DAY 6: PARTICIPATE IN CLASS

APPLY what you have learned. Jesus clearly taught that no one—not even He—knows when He will return. Pretend, however, that you learned Jesus would return one year from today. How would that knowledge change how you spend your year? Would you talk about the gospel with any specific people? Spend more time with Jesus? Work to resolve a conflict? Buy less and give more generously? Write down several ideas. Choose one action from your list to begin to put into practice this week.