

ARE YOU READY?

Matthew 24.36-25.46

NO ONE KNOWS THE DAY

Jesus makes it clear that no one knows the day nor hour that He will be coming back. But He does give us multiple parables to make two main points about His return:

- He is definitely coming back
- He will definitely come suddenly and unexpectedly

When He does return, we will stand alone before Him. It doesn't matter what church you went to, what family you were in, or what your upbringing was like. You will stand alone before Him, and every deed will be exposed.

LIVING ON MISSION UNTIL THEN

Matthew 25.14-46

If we believe that Jesus will come like a thief in the night, what should we be doing as we watch and wait? When Christmas comes around, or an out of town guest, or a new baby is about to arrive, we plan, we prepare, and we live in a way that is different than before.

IS YOUR HAND TO THE PLOW?

Luke 9.57-62

Each one of us will stand alone before God in that day. So in the meantime, we must ask ourselves, are we ready? Are we getting ready? Are we prepared? Are we investing the life God has given to us for His glory among the nations to the least, the last, and the lost? What does that look like for each of us?

- If you are not a believer, it means to believe, even today, for the first time.
- If you are in sin, you are broken, at the bottom, it means to put your hand to the plow:
 - Do the hard work of repentance, unearthing deep roots.
 - Get the help you need. Take responsibility for your sin.
- If you are just checking off a box on Sunday, repent and draw near to and by the kindness and patience of God your Father.
 - Get in a Community Group
 - Start serving alongside your church family.
- If you are in a Community Group and serving, go the extra distance and pursue a "Fight Club" type friendship. That might mean you stepping out more than the other, and stepping out first.
- No matter *where you are at*...
 - Are you killing sin?
 - Are you confessing on a daily basis to the Lord and to others?
 - Are you seeking to become more detached from the world?

Luke 21.37

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More Resources

Life Mission Church and Eschatology: For a more in depth look at how we approach the study of the end times, go to www.lifemissionchurch.com/connect/mens-equipping-ministry, scroll down to "Part 12: Eschatology (End Times)" and click on the link for PDF notes.

An Evening of Eschatology: for a diverse, interesting, and entertaining look at the various approaches to eschatology, check out this round table discussion between four theologians (John Piper, Sam Storms, Doug Wilson, and James Hamilton). www.desiringgod.org/messages/an-evening-of-eschatology

Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan**.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green **Connection Card** on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a **Green Shirt** at the **Connection Booth** outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information. Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our **Kids on Mission** classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. Serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! **Fill out a connection card** to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won't regret it!

GIVING

Gospel-centered generosity is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call **Life Mission** your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. Visit our website to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum. For questions about KOM email **Katie McGinty** at katie@lifemission.tv

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **9th - 12th graders** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. Our **High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM at Casey & Amy Barnes Home in San Marcos**. For directions and/or questions about our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at casey@lifemission.tv.

VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Read **Matthew 24:36-25:46**. What was most impactful from the sermon on Sunday or stuck out to you in these verses? _____

Read **1 Corinthians 16:13, Romans 13:11, Colossians 4:2, 1 Peter 4:7** and **1 Peter 5:8**. How are you getting ready for the second coming of your King? Or are you just sitting idly? _____

Read **Galatians 2:20, Philippians 3:8** and **Luke 9:23-24**. If we really think through the big picture and that we have eternity to look forward to, why would we hold back on giving all we have NOW? _____

Matthew 24:44 says that we "...must be ready for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." How does this verse build in you in urgency to share the Gospel with unsaved friends and family? _____

Read **Romans 10:12-15**. If Jesus returned tomorrow, who in your life would you regret not sharing the Gospel with? If you're waiting, why? _____

Read **Luke 9:57-62**. In **Luke 9:62** Jesus says to "have your hand to the plow". Jesus is calling us to be at work for the glory to God now. And for us to be on mission doing His work that He has called us to do we must be in daily confession and repentance so that we can freely serve Him not be weighed down with sin. Which one best represents the sin that you need to confess today?

- A.) I am living in unrepentant, unconfessed sin. I have hit rock bottom. I need to confess _____.
- B.) I do not Fight Club with anyone, I need to stop making excuses of why I don't reach out and do it.
- C.) I am sitting in the stands and not playing in the game. I do not serve the church, the church serves me.
- D.) I Fight Club with someone regularly, but they don't know the "real me" because I don't really confess sin. I confess "little sins," but not the "bigger" ones.
- E.) I Fight Club with someone regularly, it's going great. I confess sin and repent as a daily act of worship.

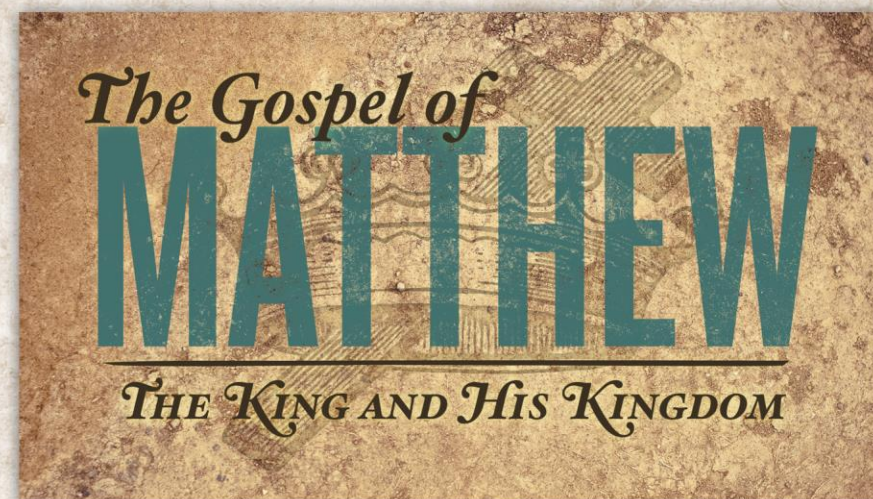
Read **Colossians 1:13-14** and **Romans 6:14**. Spend a good amount of time during the group praying and confessing sin to one another, then remind one another that despite our sinful, apathetic lazy hearts in His mission that as **Romans 6:14** says, "sin shall not rule over us. We are not under law, but grace." **2 Corinthians 12:9** says that "His grace is sufficient for us!" We are not perfect and never will be, but by God's grace we can be empowered to live on mission for His glory and our joy. Amen.



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Making Disciples Who Make Disciples Locally and Globally,
Who are Saved, Equipped, and Sent by the Gospel.



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