WHAT TO DO WHEN ALL HELL BREAKS LOOSE

Part Three of A Three-Part Story

Luke 20:45-47/ Luke 21:1-4/ Luke 21:5-7 & Exodus 22:22-24

Part 1: Jesus blasted the religious leaders for their **greed** & **arrogance**

Part 2: Jesus praised a poor widow for her **generosity**

Part 3: Jesus predicts the destruction of **Jerusalem** & the **temple**

The Destruction of Jerusalem's Temple

When will it happen? What are the signs? How to prepare Luke 21:5-24

- (1) Ignore false prophets and date setters
 Luke 21:8/ Matthew 24:36
- (2) Don't worry about rumors of wars and uprisings
 Luke 21:9/ Matthew 24:6
- (3) Expect to be persecuted but don't worry about it now Luke 21:10-14/ 1 Peter 4:12-19
- (4) When all hell breaks loose stand firm Luke 21:16-19/ James 4:7 & 1 Peter 5:9-10/ 2 Timothy 2:22
- (5) Don't run and hide **UNTIL** armies surround Jerusalem
 Luke 21:20-24

How To Know When Jesus Is About To Come Back And Set Up His Kingdom

Luke 21:25-28

- (1) Watch for catastrophic & terrifying changes in the sky and the oceans Luke 21:25-26/ Matthew 24:29-30
- (2) Watch for Jesus visibly descending back to earth
 Luke 21:27-28/ Matthew 24:26-31/ Mark 13:24-37/ Revelation 1:7

What To Do In The Meantime

Luke 21:29-38

√ Pay <u>attention</u>, stay <u>morally pure</u> and pray for <u>strength</u> & <u>protection</u>

TAKING IT HOME

Looking back at this week's teaching and study, what's most important for you to remember in regards to God's judgment and Jesus' return?

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Growth Group Homework

For the week of October 30, 2011

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from *What To Do When All Hell Breaks Loose*, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

MY STORY

- 1. Have you ever found yourself or been around others who are getting pulled into thinking there's a chance Jesus will return on a certain date? If so, what was the response after it didn't happen?
- 2. What's the first thing that comes to mind when you hear God is going to judge the world? ...judge you?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. This weekend, we looked at God's judgment on the nation of Israel for their failure to walk with him. The Bible also speaks about judgment for all individuals. The topic of judgment can be uncomfortable or confusing to many people, and it's hardly politically correct these days. That's why it's important for us to take a look at what Jesus and the Bible actually say about it. How does the Bible describe the reality and consequences of judgment in each of the following verses?

Matthew 13:42

Matthew 25:41, 46

2 Thessalonians 1:9-10

Revelation 14:9-12

Because of the severity of the biblical descriptions of judgment and hell, some people question how it fits in with God's love. How do you reconcile God's love with the truth that he will also judge people?

2. Fear is one of those responses/emotions that can be confusing to understand, especially when you begin talking about God's judgment. How do the following verses help you understand what it means to have a healthy fear of God as opposed to a fear that paralyzes us or causes us to live in worry or dread?

Proverbs 16:6

Proverbs 1:32-33

Jeremiah 32:39-40

3. All of us want to be ready for Christ's return, and to know what to do before he returns. How does 1 Peter 4:7-11 expand the strategy we were given at the end of this week's teaching?

Looking at your responses to the verse above, rate yourself on a scale of 1 to 5. Is there anything you'd like to work to improve on or make sure you continue to do?