



CHAPTER 13 Being Ready

Q1 – What takeaways did you get from Sunday morning?
Did you each get something different?

The story so far

- The garden - Eden
- The fall
- God chooses a man – Abram
- God's people – Israel
- Consistent rebellion
- Exile
- God is saviour through Jesus
- Jesus's death
- Jesus's resurrection
- Jesus ascends to heaven
- The Holy Spirit imparted
- The end times
- Back to Eden

Q2 - The bible is one unified story that points to Jesus.
How much of the arching narrative from Genesis to Revelation can you recall between you?

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- The temple's destruction
- The end times
 - Signs

- Tribulation
- Son of Man
- The fig tree
- No-one will know the day or hour

Q3 – This is known as the 'Olivet discourse' by theologians, we can tell it's importance as it's repeated in all synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark & Luke). Why do you think Jesus considered it important to teach the end times to the disciples?

HINT – READ verses 32 to 37 and/or Matthew 25:1-13

Enduring, Believing Loyalty

It's clear from the passage that there will be times of 'tribulation', that is suffering. The Christian life today is not immune from suffering, the fullness of God's promise is yet to come.

We often extrovertly celebrate the good things in our walk with God but also introvertly hide the painful times in fear that we're not being 'good enough'.

Q4 - Is this right? Discuss

Q5 - How should we respond to times of suffering

- a) When it's us?
- b) When it's our neighbour?

Q6 – Choose a couple of characters from the bible who endured suffering. How did they respond?