Sermon Discussion Guide

The End of the World as We Know It? Mark 13:1–13

- 1. What stood out to you from the sermon?
- 2. According to Ryan, is Mark 13 mostly about the past (AD 70) or the future? What does Jesus predict will happen in verse 2? What do the disciples ask Jesus about in verse 4?
- 3. Why is Jesus' exhortation to his disciples about not being deceived just as applicable to us today? How can you avoid being deceived by false teachers?
- 4. How can things like international conflict, political upheaval, and natural disasters tempt us to fear? Should we regard these things as signs that Jesus' second coming is getting closer? What should we remember when it appears that the world is spinning out of control?
- 5. How are you being tempted to "give up" in the Christian life? How can Jesus' promise at the end of verse 13 help you persevere?
- 6. It's easy to miss the forest for the trees in Mark 13. What's the big picture message in the chapter?