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MARK 13:1-4

"BEWARE OF DISTRACTION"

Jesus Christ has longest sermon of His latter year of ministry. It is a two part:

1. Message of peace thru peril in v. 1-13. Remember? Have you jotted His piercing point in your bible? I have. I need these reminders!

- v.1-4 Beware of distraction (Good for best)
- v. 5-6 Beware of deception
- v. 7-8 Beware of depression
mind I perfect peace Is. 26:3
mind guarded and guided Phil. 4:6-7,8
- v.. 9-13 Beware of defection (Jot these down for tough days)
 - 1 Th. 3:3-4 destined for
 - 1 Phil. 4:12-19 don't be surprised
 - 2 Tim. 3:12 all who live Godly will suffer
 - Mt. 5:11-12 blessed ... when men revile

Then after that He goes to the end and exhorts:

BE ALERT TO GOD - WHY

v. 14-19 He predicts awful days

v. 20-32 He protects all His own.

V. 33-37 He expects alertness

Applications:

1. V. 14-23 Maintaining peacefulness in uncertainty and suffering.
2. V. 24-33 Maintaining work for His kingdom
3. V. 34-36 Maintaining loyalty to our Master
4. V. 37 Maintaining focus of life on His purposes.

“All of life is moving toward Him - be alert, be ready” Titus 2:12-13, 1 Jn. 2:2-3, Col. 1:15-16.

1. Lk 17:26-27 Noah's neighbors so busy present they missed future
2. 2 Th. 2:1-2; 3:6-12 Thess. Christians: so busy future, they missed present
3. Rev. 2:8011 Smyrniots alert both: present and future
- Lk. 21:20-24 A.D. 70