

The GOSPEL of MARK

Our Call to Discipleship

Kingdom Inauguration: Lesson from the Fig Tree

Mark 13:28-31

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty Father in Heaven, you are eternal. Your kingdom is forever and ever. You reign with great power and all glory, honor and praise belongs to you. Your kingdom and your reign is from everlasting to everlasting. Come now, Eternal LORD, and turn our hearts away from the shallow, small and unworthy ambitions our hearts want to cling to this morning & grant us hearts that look with confidence and great hope to our eternal, unchanging, all-sufficient, without limit, end or weakness. LORD you are our LORD and it is in your name that we hope. It is your name we call out to this morning & it is your name we find our rest, peace and comfort in this world of turmoil, struggle, pain and conflict. Grant us your Spirit this morning that we might believe your Word and cling to Christ our Savior and King. Amen & Amen.

OUTLINE

1. Imminence of Christ (vv. 28-29)
2. Confidence in Christ (vv. 30-31)

Central Textual Truth

Jesus directs His disciples to expect His imminent return according to His Word.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to hope for Christ's imminent return as promised in His Word.