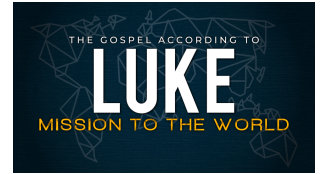


# Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, July 28, 2024

Scripture: Luke 21:5-28



## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

As world history unfolds, we should live fearlessly by resting in Jesus' sovereignty and faithfully by bearing witness to the glory and beauty of Christ as we fulfill God's mission to the world.

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with Reading: Ante Faciem Dei)*

1. How are eschatological (end time) passages like this text meant to sharpen our understanding of God and practically impact our lives (thinking and behavior) as we await Jesus' return?
2. What was the temple and its purpose? Why did Jesus' prophecy about its destruction shock the people, including his disciples (verses 5-7)?
3. What causes you to fear? Why is the world perpetually filled with unrest, conflict, and disaster, and how can we live without fear (verse 9)?
4. Explain what Jesus means that persecution provides great opportunity for God's people (verses 12-13). Are you taking advantage of opportunities to witness for Christ?
5. What incredible promises did Jesus make to those who will be persecuted for their faith in him (verses 14-19)?
6. When was Jesus' prophecy of the temple's destruction fulfilled? What is the time of the Gentiles (Acts 1:8; 28:28)? How has Jesus fulfilled the temple's purpose, leaving the temple itself obsolete?