

***STUDIES  
IN  
MARK***



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**LESSON 53**

## MARK 13:28-37

### REVIEW:

Mark chapter 13 tells us some of the things Jesus said to His disciples a few days before He died.

Jesus told His disciples

- 1) in verses 1-4 that the temple would be destroyed.
- 2) in verses 5-13 the things that would happen during the first half of the time of trouble (tribulation).
- 3) in verses 14-25 the warnings about the last half of the great tribulation time.
- 4) in verses 25-27 that He would come back to reign on the earth in great glory for 1,000 years.

### READ MARK 13:28-31

#### HEAVEN AND EARTH

Jesus told the disciples another parable.

1. What was the parable about? (verse 28)
2. What is the fig tree like when summer is near?

"Its branch is \_\_\_\_\_ and it grows \_\_\_\_\_."

This is the way the Jews knew when summer was near. Jesus had told the disciples how they could know when the coming of the Lord was near. (Mark 13:1-25)

3. How near is the coming of the Lord? (verse 29)

"Even at \_\_\_\_\_."

4. Jesus said,

"This generation shall not pass till \_\_\_\_\_."

*(A generation may mean a race or family. It may mean a kind of people.)*

5. What two things did Jesus say will pass away? (verse 31) \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

(READ 1 Corinthians 7:31.) What does it say about this kind of world?

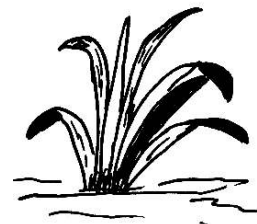
6. READ Revelation 21:1. The prophet John said,  
 "I saw a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_  
 were \_\_\_\_\_, and there was no more \_\_\_\_\_."

The kind of earth and the heavens we see above us will all be changed. God will make them new.

7. What did Jesus say will NOT pass away? (verse 31)

8. **READ 1 Peter 1:24 and 25.**

What happens to all grass?  
 What happens to every flower?  
 What is like the grass?  
 What will happen to the Word of God?



9. **READ 2 Peter 3:10.**

What does it say about the heavens (the skies with the sun, moon, and stars)?

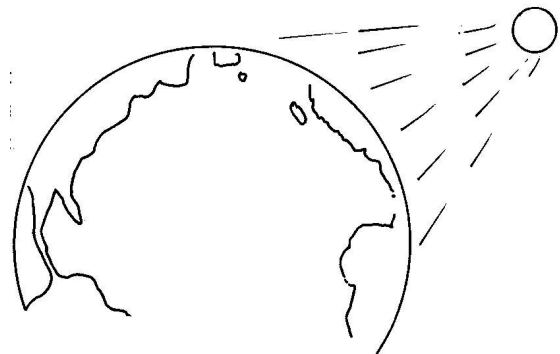
"The heavens shall \_\_\_\_\_  
 with \_\_\_\_\_."

*(Heavens here means the sky where sun, moon and stars and planets are.)*

What does this verse say will happen to the earth?

"The earth also, and the works that are in it \_\_\_\_\_."

READ 2 Peter 3:11-14 to see what God wants us to do till all these things happen.



10. **READ Isaiah 40:8.**

What does the Old Testament prophet say?

"The grass \_\_\_\_\_ and the flower \_\_\_\_\_, but the  
 Word of God \_\_\_\_\_."



Praise God! Even if all the things that we see around us change, God does not change. God's Word will not change.

### **READ MARK 13:32-37**

#### **WATCH! JESUS WILL COME AGAIN**

Write the right answer for each of the following questions or sentences on the line provided.

1. Who knows when the Lord is coming back? (verse 32) (some man, the angels in heaven, the Son, the Father). .
2. What should Christians do till Jesus comes back? (verse 33) (argue about when the Lord will come back; figure out the very day and hour when He will come; take heed; watch and pray). .
3. (We know, we should know, we do not know) when our Lord will come back. (verse 33). .
4. (verse 34) For the Son of Man is like a man (going to church, taking a far journey, who left his (house, friends), and gave authority to his (servants, brothers), and to every man his (prize, work), and commanded the porter to (watch, have a good time) while he was gone. .

Jesus, the Son of Man, is the One Who went away to a far country (heaven). We do not know when He is coming back.

5. READ John 14:3. Do we know for sure that Jesus is coming back? What did He say in this verse?

"And if I go and prepare (get ready) a place for you, I ."

Who made this promise? \_\_\_\_\_ .

6. READ Acts 2:11. What did the angels say in this verse?

“This same Jesus, who is taken up from you into heaven  
\_\_\_\_\_ into heaven.”

In John 14:3, Jesus promised to come back. In Acts 1:11 the angels said He would come again. Many other verses in God's Word tell us Jesus is coming again. Jesus has given us work to do for Him while He is away.

7. What are we to always do while we wait for Jesus to come back? (Mark 13:35)  
\_\_\_\_\_ . This means we must be ready all the time. He could come any minute.

8. In verse 35, when does Jesus warn us that He may come?

“ . . .at \_\_\_\_\_ , or at \_\_\_\_\_ , or at \_\_\_\_\_ , or in the \_\_\_\_\_ .”  
(At “cockcrowning” is the time early in the morning, almost before it starts to get light. At this time the cock, or rooster starts to make his noise or crowing.)

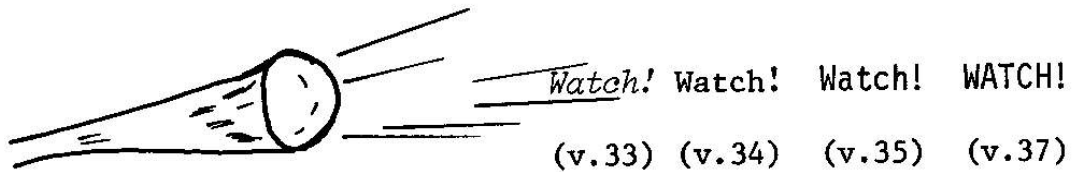
9. When will Jesus come? (verse 36) \_\_\_\_\_ .

10. What might we be doing when Jesus comes? \_\_\_\_\_ .

11. Four times Jesus used the same word to tell us what He wants us to do till He comes back. This same word is found in verses 33,34,35 and 37. See if you can find the word.

Jesus tells us very plainly, “Watch!” We must watch for fear that He will find us sleeping when He comes suddenly. This does not mean that we should never go to sleep till He comes back. It means that we should always be expecting Him. If we are always looking for Jesus to come we will be ready even if we are asleep. What will we

be doing? What will we be talking about? What will we be thinking? Where will Jesus find us when He comes? Will we be ready to welcome Him with joy when He comes?



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