

Media



✔ Prepare in Advance

Facilitator: In advance of the session:

- Retrieve, review, and have ready the videos and music listed (links are provided on this session's webpage).
- Review today's scripture text and the session activities to help better facilitate the discussion.
- Have the Bible Background Video ready to view.

✔ Intro

Open your session by informing your group that you'll be talking about the apocalypse today and you've amassed some information to be prepared in case of zombies. Show the "Rule #15" clip if your group has a sense of humor and a love of Woody Harrelson. Who doesn't?

- Should We Be Taking Notes?
- Go ahead and Mark 13:1-8 out loud and then watch the *Bible Background Video*. Allow for any comments before opening up with a few questions like the ones below.
- How would you say most people read passages like this or Revelation? Literally, metaphorically, etc?
- Now watch the "Literal Music Video."
- What are some dangers of being too literal when it comes to apocalyptic texts?
- What do you think Jesus actually wants his disciples to do after this talk?
- Is it wrong to NOT take the Bible literally?

✔ Invincible

Watch the clip entitled "We Love the Wall" and allow for comment or obvious Monty Python references.

- In the clip, the peas have total confidence in their walls. What are things in which we tend to have complete, or near complete, confidence?
- In what did the disciples have faith?
- Why would Jesus be warning his disciples against the symbol of relationship with God? Isn't that a good thing?
- Do you think the Temple became a sort of idol for some?
- Do we have any idols that we've created out of good, religious things?

- What is Jesus trying to get us into?
- What's the Worst that Could Happen?
- Watch the 'Titanic' clip.
- What makes the story of the Titanic so tragic? Is it that such a large ship sunk, or is it that we had such total faith in it?
- Is anyone familiar with Murphy's Law? "Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong." Do you tend to agree with this philosophy or not?
- What is something in your life that let you down in a big way?
- What can we put our faith in reliably?

✔ Outro

End your session by praying to God and professing your reliance on God alone, and nothing of our own making.

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