NOTHING IS PERMANENT | MARK 13:1-8

SESSION 4.47

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Setting the bible free

🗹 Prepare in Advance

Facilitator: In advance of the session:

- Retrieve, review, and have ready the video's listed below (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.

Mocalypse

Show the clip from 2012 and use these questions to facilitate discussion.

- What is your favorite apocalyptic movie? Why?
- How do you feel when people begin discussing the end of the world?
- What are the ways some predict the end of the world will happen? What response do you have when you hear those predictions? Why? Do you wish you knew the end of the world would be? Why or why not?
- How should a Christian view the end of the world compared to those who do not yet know Christ?

🗹 End Times

- Read Mark 13:1-8 and watch the *Bible Background Video* for this session.
- Why did Jesus turn a discussion about the temple into one about the end of the age?
- Why did the disciples want to know more? What signs did Jesus give? Have those signs already happened? When?
- Jesus was very vague with his response, how do you make sense of his answer?

🧭 Without Fear

- Why were the disciples so proud of the structure of the temple? How might they have felt when Jesus said it will be destroyed?
- Play the Star Wars Clip.
- How did the officers feel about the Death Star they had created? How is this story similar to Jesus' description of the temple? Where did they put their trust? What eventually happens to the Death Star?
- Have each student make a list of the 5 most important things to them. Allow each student to

share their list and explain why each has value to them.

- Of all the things you value, which ones are permanent? Which ones are temporary? What happens if we place out trust in the things that are temporary? Why do we think those temporary things will never come to an end?
- How is an experience with God something permanent? How does this passage and discussion help us to approach the future without fear?

Close with prayer.

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