

Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions

Topic: *What are the Signs?*Text: Various Scriptures
Service Date: March 9, 2025

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

Getting Started

- From the sermon or your Formation Journal this past week, was there anything specific that has impacted you or ways God spoke to your heart?
- Paul mentioned in the opening of the sermon how messed up this world has become. Since you were a kid, what are some things you've either seen (or felt) have become "more messed up" the older you've gotten?

Sermon Discussion

- "The first sign of Jesus' return is when the world has a love for money." Do you believe that individuals are continuing to become greedier and moneyhungry? If so, do you see this as a trend related to human nature-needing more stuff, more money, more commodities, etc.?
- It's easy for us to become envious of what others have. There also seems to be the appearance that someone is always do better than us...and perhaps they are. How do fight the urge to always want more and instead learn to be generous with our possessions and resources? What blessings could be found in having the least amount of stuff?
- Take a moment to Matthew 6:24; possessions and earthly things can easily control us if we don't know how to effectively manage them for God. How do you feel you've done at being generous, especially blessing others? Is there someone in your life you are sensing God calling you to bless in secret?
- Paul noted that another sign of Jesus' return is that God's Word will be mocked. In what ways could someone mock God's Word?

- "Another sign of Jesus' return is a decline in Christian sexual ethics." As the world continues to fall, why do you think sexual sins are no longer just tolerated but endorsed (i.e. homosexuality, living together before marriage, etc.)?
- The sermon noted how there will be false teachers. Some false teachers will teach things that support the prosperity gospel (i.e. God wants me to be healthy and wealthy). This suggests that following Jesus is about feeling good and having possessions/health instead of what Jesus actually said, "In this world you will have trouble" (John 16:33). For those who prefer to only follow Jesus when times are going well but walk away when struggles occur or the blessings stop, what's your response? How do you encourage someone in such a situation to focus only on Christ?
- "One of the signs that we are in the season of the Lord's return is that people will leave the church." When someone leaves a church because the church is not giving into culture or seeking to appease every person's desire, what's your reaction? How do you think Jesus would respond?
- Is there someone in your life who isn't ready for Jesus' return? How can you and your group be praying? Take time in your group to pray for those who need a personal relationship with Jesus.

Have you or someone in your group experienced a Story of Life Change?

We'd love to hear about it! In fact, one of Tri-Village's values is "Stories of Life Change". Visit tri-village.org/yourstory and share how God worked.