

Small group optional guide

Following Jesus: when Jesus returns

IN: FELLOWSHIP

- What are we doing over the half term break?
 - socials, meeting up for coffee, as families etc...
- Who is going to the JFM weekend away 9th – 10th June

OUT: PRAYER

- Pray for Pete Rowe in hospital
- Pray for our gift day; not too late to give and pray that God would bless what is given

key words from Sunday:

- Chris; God wants to come afresh upon us.

When strong winds come we tend to try and prepare for the storm that is coming. God doesn't want us to clear things away; He wants to clear, to change what needs changing, to bring fresh revelation of Jesus.

- Helen: before revivals come, the people of God need to be holy

When people get saved they need to come in and find a holy people, people convicted by God need to come and see a people of purity (not a perfect people) but a people changed. To see revival we can't let the sinful things go (gossip, unforgiveness). We need to know its not ok anymore; God wants us to shine for when revival comes.

WORSHIP

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UP

Matthew 24 & 25; sit on the Mt of Olives and listen.

1) Approach this humbly

Isaiah 55: 9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

2) What did Jesus say in Matthew 24 & 25

- Promise of persecution
- Warnings of false prophets
- No One Knows That Day and Hour Mt 24:36
- Parables Mt 25:1-13
- Final Judgement Mt 25:31-46

3) How does this prepare and equip us to live now?

Inspiration for sanctification

By the power of the Holy Spirit, in joy and love, live the great commission; be the faithful servant

Sanctification: His grace and love setting more of my life apart for His holy purpose; it is a marriage – His grace, mercy and love meeting my cooperation (1 Thessalonians 5:23,24)

Q) What must I stop doing; what if Jesus came back and I am in the middle of...

Galatians 5:19-21 // 2 Corinthians 12:20

- Recognise your sin
- Receive forgiveness
- share your struggle; peer discipleship