

# Get Ready to Move

## Getting Your House in Order

Sermon Discussion Guide for the week of February 17, 20-21, 2016

**Main Point: When life is uncertain, pressure is reduced by preparation. Prepare now to meet the Lord!**  
**Luke 21:5-36**

### CONNECT

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How do you react if someone tells you the plot of a movie before you have seen it?

If you knew for certain that you had exactly one week to live what would you do? Why?

Do you think it's important to know what the Bible says about the end times? Why or why not?

Why do you think so many people are interested in what the Bible says about the end times?

### LEARN

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Why do you think Jesus taught about the events of the future?

**Have a volunteer read Luke 21:5-19.**

Why do you think the disciples asked Jesus to tell them when these things would occur, meaning the events surrounding the temple's destruction?

Do you think we see or experience any "signs of the times" today? If so, which ones?

How do you answer someone who asks, "When will these things happen?"

What comfort will come to the disciples in the midst of the trials Jesus prophesied about (vv. 12-19)?

Why is this truth a source of hope and encouragement for us today?

What does it look like to "stand firm" to the end in the midst of these final days?

**Have a volunteer read Luke 21:20-24.**

**Have a volunteer read Daniel 9:24-27.**

How do both Daniel and Jesus stress that God is in control of the future?

How can we remind ourselves of that truth in the midst of trying times?

**Have another volunteer read Luke 21:25-33.**

Why is the gospel not complete without Jesus' second coming?

What reason do we have as Christians for anticipating Jesus' return (vv. 27-28)?

How do you think the promises of verses 32-33 might have been comforting to the disciples? Discomforting?

What impact do they have on you today?

**Have a volunteer read Luke 21:34-36.**

In the midst of this heavy news, how did Jesus caution His followers? What things might prevent people from being prepared for Jesus' return?

What do you think enables believers to be ready to stand before the Lord without fear or shame at His return?

How well does your life reflect verse 36?

## **SERVE**

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How does the prospect of Jesus' unpredictable, rapid return effect how we carry out the mission of God?

Do you live out the implications of Jesus' second coming? How can we use Jesus' teaching in these verses as motivation for evangelism?

How can you live the way Jesus described in verse 36? What does it look like practically?

## **PRAYER**

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Close your time in prayer. Pray that God would remind you and make you certain of the hope in Christ. Thank God that in His wisdom He made a plan and has given us glimpses of it in Scripture. Pray that you would be prepared and expectant for the return of Christ.



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