

## Peace Lutheran Weekly Walk - Mark #8

Peace Lutheran invites all members and guests to follow a weekly Bible reading series at home. For past handouts and suggestions for leading a family devotion, go to <https://peacewels.org/weekly-walk/>.

Questions about the readings can be addressed to either pastor or emailed to [weeklywalk@peacewels.org](mailto:weeklywalk@peacewels.org)

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, through your gospel promises, help us to watch and pray so that we do not fall into temptation. Help us to watch ourselves and battle against our sinful nature which is all too eager to follow the devil and the world and lead us astray. Help us to watch You—to see your sinless life and willing sacrifice that save us and renew us to live for you. Amen.

### Day 1: Mark 13:21-37

1. Why has Jesus told us all these signs of the end times?
2. How do many of these signs and warnings of the end times make you feel?
3. How does what Jesus tells us in verse 27 and verse 31 bring us comfort?
4. What can you automatically know if someone tries to tell you they know the exact date and time of the end of the world (as many have done in history)?
5. What does Jesus encourage us to do in the last portion of our reading? How do we do this?

### Day 2: Mark 14:1-11

1. When did Jesus' enemies say they wanted to kill him?
2. Since Jesus will die at a time different than their plan, what does that tell us about who is ultimately in control?
3. Why did this woman do what she did for Jesus?
4. How are you this very day, as you read this section, a fulfillment of Jesus' prophecy in verse 9?!
5. What warning and lesson are there for us in Judas' betrayal?

### Day 3: Mark 14:12-21

1. What was the Passover?
2. What past events did it recall? (See Exodus 12 for help).
3. To what event did it also point? (See 1 Corinthians 5:7 for help)

4. What does the question the disciples all ask reveal they understood about themselves?

### Day 4: Mark 14:22-31

1. What is Jesus talking about when He speaks of the New Testament (or New Covenant)? For help see Jeremiah 31:31-34.
2. What do each of these phrases teach us about the Lord's Supper?
  - *Took bread... took the cup.*
  - *Gave it to them (His disciples)*
  - *This is my body... this is my blood*
  - *...which is poured out*
3. What warning does Jesus give to His disciples that reveals their weakness?
4. What comfort does He give them in verse 28?

### Day 5: Mark 14:32-52

1. Why was Jesus deeply troubled?
2. How was Jesus' prayer perfect?
3. Earlier, the disciples had said they would all die for Jesus. How do they fall far short of their boast in this section?
4. What is the flesh and what is the spirit in verse 38?
5. What amazing truth does verse 42 give us about everything Jesus will suffer?

**Blessing:** Blessed are you, who take refuge in the Son, the Savior King. (See Psalm 2)

**Final thoughts:** See how much Jesus loves you! All He does in these last hours of His life, He does for you! He encourages us to watch and pray. And because He knows our sin and weakness, He does everything perfectly in our place and willingly goes to suffer and die to save us! And then, in the Lord's Supper, He gives us the very treasure that won our salvation: His body and blood to forgive us and give us new strength as we live for Him in thanksgiving.

### More Resources on Mark

Answers for this week's questions may be found on the Peace Website.

[A Path Strewn with Sinners: A Devotional Study of Mark's Gospel & His Race to the Cross](#) by Wade Johnston. Two copies available in church library.