

Small Group Preparation

Serve

Finalize your plans for serving through ShareFest. Who in your group will be serving? What type of project fits your group? Has one person from your group coordinated with Jan Sederburg? Do you know what materials you need to bring, if any?

We will serve our community in Jesus' name through ShareFest on Saturday, March 21. We will gather at the church at 7:15am for donuts (spudnuts!), coffee, and singing. From there we will disperse into the Tri-Cities to our various projects.

Questions? Contact Jan Sederburg
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I. There's a "day of wrath" coming

Ps 103:1; II Cor 6:1-2;
Rom 12:19; Isa 13:9-13;
Joel 2:30-31; Ezek 7:19;
Dan 8:18-19; Mal 3:2; 4:1

A. It's the wrath of the Lamb!

Gen 22:8; Isa 53:7;
John 1:29; I Cor 5:7;
I Pet 1:19; Acts 2:20;
I Cor 5:5;
I Thess 5:2; Rev 16:14;
Rom 2:5; Heb 10:25;
I Cor 3:13;
II Tim 1:12, 18; 4:8;
Phil 1:6; Luke 17:30;
I Cor 1:8; Luke 17:24-25

B. It's the end of the "patient
period"

II Cor 6:1-2; Rom 2:4-5;
II Pet 3:9-10a; Lev 26:18;
I John 3:8; Isa 11:11-12;
Jer 31:7-8; Eph 5:5-6;
Col 3:5-6

II. "Signs" will accompany His day

A. The Lord will "shout" with
abnormal physical
events

Gen 37:9-10;
Rev 12:1; Matt 24:27-30, 37;
Luke 21:25-27; Gen 7:11-12

B. These things occur before
His glorious coming

Matt 24:29-30;
Dan 9:27; Matt 24:15-22;
Rev 7:1, 9, 11

III. In that day, some will try to hide,
some will stand

A. "Standing" is not about
knowledge

James 2:19

B. "Standing" is not
about emotions

II Cor 7:9-10; Matt 27:3-5;
John 17:12

C. We stand because of
the attitude we
choose

Rev 7:9-17; Eph 6:10-14

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Relate

How close do you think we are to the last days are? Explain.

Has anyone recently had the “last days” brought to mind? What was the context? (dreams, news articles, movies, songs, etc., e.g., one person just heard the song “Eve of Destruction.”)

Review

Looking back over your sermon notes, which particular point or passage of Scripture most challenged, confused or caught your attention?

Think about the “great day of their wrath” (see verse 17). What does “day” mean? What does “wrath” mean? Do you know some other names for this event?

What do the people in verse 15 know about this “day” and what it means? What does their response tell you about them? What do you need in addition to knowledge to be able to “stand” before the Lord?

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Dig

Read Acts 14:19-22. Even though the “day of wrath” is primarily about God’s judgment, are there any positive outcomes of tribulation?

Read 1 Peter 3:18-20. How do the days before the flood relate to the days before the “wrath of the lamb?” (Hint: in what ways are they similar?)

Live

What are the negative consequences to not doing the “right thing” when it is tough?

Tribulation moves people toward decision. Are you in the midst of a difficult situation? What decision is God moving you toward? How can your small group encourage you in this decision?