



Advent

November 29, 2020 Mark 13:24-37

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

O Lord, no one on earth knows the hour of your return. Only keep us watchful and awake, that we might always be at work in your kingdom, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

"But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory." (Mark 13:24-26)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Jesus taught the disciples about the end of all things. But in his words, they learned about the things of now. Be awake and watchful. Life is happening all around us.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household or community.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

What was the first instance of "world-ending, mass panic" that you remember? Were you sucked into the hysteria? What helped calm your heart?

What do you worry about? Does faith help calm those fears? What can you do to ease your worry?

For the littles: What wakes you up each day? God is just as dependable!



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May you find peace in the life of day-to-day, trusting that God will keep you in the fold even at the end. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Do some research on the end-of-the-world predictions and put together a social media post or newsletter article assuring people that only God knows when the world will end—and we can enjoy the day-to-day instead of worrying!



Go Deeper: Go to bit.ly/daily-devotions-rcl for the daily readings!

Monday, Psalm 79; Micah 4:1-5; Revelation 15:1-8 Tuesday, Psalm 79; Micah 4:6-13; Revelation 18:1-10 Wednesday, Psalm 79; Micah 5:1-5a; Luke 21:34-38 Thursday, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; Hosea 6:1-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10 Friday, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Acts 11:19-26 Saturday, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; Ezekiel 36:24-28; Mark 11:27-33