

Week 1 – Hope

Text: Luke 21:25–36

Topic(s): Hope, Advent, Promise, Jesus's Return **Bottom Line:** Jesus Christ is our Hope for Eternity

Application Point: 1. Trust in Gods Promises 2. Live your life in the hope of Christs return

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What is your favorite movie or story and why?
- Jesus prophesies of the coming destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple (Luke 21:20-24).
 "Predicting their destruction was like predicting that God would abandon his people and break his promises."
 - a. Tell of a time in your life when you have felt like God had abandon you.
 - b. What was the end result of that time?
- 3. Read Luke 21:25–36. In what ways does a passage about the return of Jesus help set the stage for celebrating his birth?
- 4. **Bottom Line: Jesus Christ is our hope for eternity**. Read 2 Corinthians 1:20-22. As you consider the return of Jesus, how does this help you better understand the importance of hope?
- 5. **NextStep: Trust in God's Promises** "Experiencing the fullness of God's promises requires our steadfast trust."
 - a. What does trusting God look like in your life?
- 6. Next Step: Live your life in the hope of Christs return. Read Luke 21:34-36
 - a. How does Jesus share with us about how we are to live our lives?
 - b. What does it look like to: Watch ourselves, stay awake, pray, stand before the Son of man?

Breakout Question:

- 1. What is one way you might give the gift of hope this season?
- 2. How can we pray for you?

¹ https://www.spokengospel.com/books/devotionals/luke-215-221