



“Something Terrible This Way Comes”

Mark 13:1-13 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon

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Introduction –*Jesus and His disciples leave the Temple complex and go to the Mount of Olives where Jesus begins to answer their questions about future events.*

I. Terrible Things to Come.

A. The Temple that the disciples are admiring was enlarged and beautified by the Herods beginning in 20 BC, and was not completed until 64 AD.

B. The Temple architecture was strikingly beautiful.

C. Jesus tells His disciples that the Temple and Jerusalem will be utterly destroyed one day.

D. The disciples ask when, and what will be the signs of these things happening?

E. Jesus then first answers the “signs” they can expect.

1. The Temple will be destroyed (v.2).

2. False teaching and cataclysmic world events will take place. (v.5-8)

3. Believers will suffer and be persecuted for Christ. (v.9-13)

II. Important Things to Remember.

A. Jesus points out that these are just signs, not the end.

B. Jesus gives them these signs to prepare them and us for what will come.

C. Jesus leaves them with two main concerns/commands they should heed.

1. “Watch out!”

2. “Be ready!”

- a. To endure

- b. To resist

- c. To endure

- d. To share

Conclusion