

Argyle LifeGroup Study Guide, Luke, part 78, Nov 22, 2020

1. Read Luke 21:8-19
2. Jesus had been teaching about the kingdom of God, but now His teaching is focused on the _____.
3. Read Luke 21:8. Counterfeits, fakes and frauds are nothing new, but Jesus is saying as the end gets near, the _____ will get worse. Read 2 Corinthians 11:13-15
4. Since most people are curious about the future, there will be many who will take advantage of that curiosity. Jesus said to _____ and do not be deceived.
Watch out and guard your heart.
Watch out and set up spiritual guardrails.
Watch out and examine their fruit.
5. The best defense against being deceived is to know the truth.
6. Read Luke 21:9. Fights, and disagreements, and divisions will continue to escalate. But don't be surprised. These things will happen but the end is not yet here.
7. Read Luke 21:11. During the tribulation natural disasters will intensify in number and magnitude to a point never seen before in human history. Read Romans 8:22-23
8. Read Luke 21:12. Jesus said that Christian persecution would happen before the other signs. Every one of the disciple's were put to death except John who was banished to a deserted island. Christian persecution continues in many different forms to this day. This is bad news for the prosperity gospel. Following Jesus will get you persecuted. Read 2 Timothy 3:12
9. Notice that Jesus said that persecution will come "because of My name."
Christians shouldn't be persecuted because they are obnoxious and jerks.
Christians should be persecuted because they are identified as following Jesus.
10. All the persecution that Christians will suffer is for one reason. Read Luke 21:13
The English word "martyr" comes from the Greek word "martus" which means "to be a witness".
Read 1 Peter 3:13-17
11. Read Luke 21:14-15. This promise is not an excuse for lazy preachers and teachers not to study and prepare. God will give us the exact words we need exactly when we need them.
12. Read Luke 21:18-19. None of these things can really hurt you because God is in control and He protects us and keeps us safe through eternal life.
13. What is Jesus teaching us? Do not be deceived. Do not be afraid. Do not worry.
Because your God is in control.