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# STUDENTS NEWSLETTER



# Theology of the month: The Last Days

We have the news of the world available to us right on our phones. If you scroll through social media, watch YouTube, or read online articles, you've probably seen people talking once again about the second coming of Jesus and the rapture. Some even predicted dates in September and October—but both have already come and gone.

Many Christian students today hear that "Jesus is coming back any moment." We see headlines about possible wars, disease outbreaks, or political change and assume His return must be soon. And while Jesus is coming back, these constant predictions and theories can stir up fear and confusion —especially when these sources are everywhere except Scripture.

If we look to God's Word, we see that we have already been living in the "last days" for the past two thousand years. Jesus taught in Mark 13 that events such as wars, earthquakes, and famines would take place, and that these are only the beginning of the end. Many of these things have already happened throughout history. Jesus also made it clear that no one knows the hour, day, or year of His return—not even the angels, but only the Father (Mark 13:32).

Paul echoes this in 2 Thessalonians 2:1–3, warning Christians not to be "quickly shaken" or alarmed, because many will try to deceive others about the timing of Christ's coming.

As we continue in 1 Peter, we're reminded that the "end times" isn't just a future event—it's the entire church age we're living in right now. Peter doesn't tell believers to sit and wait, but to live faithfully, love deeply, and serve eagerly until Christ returns.

## **OUR MISSION**

The mission for our students is the same as it is for our church. We want our students to become disciples of Jesus who **behold** His gospel, who **belong** in gospel community, and who are **sent** on gospel mission.

# <u>Memory Verse</u> <u>of the Month</u>

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance."

2 Peter 3:9

# Application of the month:

# APPLICATIONS FOR TEENS IN THE LAST DAYS

#### 1. Have a sense of hope not fear.

Jesus is our living hope (1 Peter 1:3–5). We don't have to live in fear of what this world can do to us, because our Savior and King has already conquered sin and death. When Jesus returns, He will share His victory with His people.

#### 2. Study Eschatology, don't run from it.

God promises a blessing to those who read and hear the words of Revelation. The Bible gives us what we need to understand the church age and Christ's return. If it wasn't important, God wouldn't have included it in His Word.

#### 3. Stick with the Bible.

Piggybacking off of our last point.
Stick with what the scriptures teach.
As we study, we should focus on what is clear, acknowledge what is unclear.

# 4. Remind them to live while waiting for Jesus.

We are not to just sit and continue to hope for the return of Jesus, but to live for him while we wait. This includes praying, loving and serving others during our time on earth.

#### 5. Share the gospel.

We should live holy lives in anticipation of Christ's return—but we should also tell others about Jesus. The mission Jesus gave His church in this age is clear: "Go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19–20).



## Recommend Resources

Personal study for students Free download at https://rym.org/eschatologystudy

Article -

https://rootedministry.com/howa-heavenward-perspectivetransforms-our-teens/ Videos/Podcasts (These will help you as a parent understand the four views on the end times.

Shorter/ light video -4 views on the end times by Costi Hinn (YouTube).

Longer/deeper video "An Evening of Eschatology"
John Piper (YouTube).

#### **SERMON SERIES**

THIS FALL AT RH STUDENTS, WE WILL BE DIVING BACK INTO OUR SERIES IN 1<sup>ST</sup> PETER. MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL CAN BE TOUGH—FRIEND DRAMA, ACADEMIC PRESSURE, IDENTITY STRUGGLES. 1ST PETER WAS WRITTEN TO CHRISTIANS FACING PERSECUTION AND HARDSHIP, AND IT ENCOURAGES THEM TO STAY STRONG AND HOPEFUL. THAT MESSAGE STILL HITS TODAY.

AS WE LOOK AHEAD TO THE SPRING, THE GOAL IS TO CONTINUE ON THIS JOURNEY WITH THE APOSTLE PETER AND GO THROUGH HIS SECOND EPISLTE FOR OUR NEXT SERMON SERIES. THEN TRANSITION BACK TO A OT BOOK DURING SUMMER CAMP OR THE FALL OF 2026.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

RH STUDENTS - Oct. 12th 5:00-7:30PM

Oktoberfest - Oct. 19th

RH STUDENTS - Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>

FALL HANGOUT!

RH STUDENTS - Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:00PM

RH STUDENTS - Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:30PM

RH STUDENTS - Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 5:00-7:30PM

RH STUDENTS - Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>
CHRISTMAS PARTY!