

MISSION FILE

GOSPEL

LUKE 21:5-19

At that time: While some were speaking of the Temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.' And they asked him, 'Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?' And he said, 'See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, "I am he!" and, "The time is at hand!" Do not go after them. And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. This will be your opportunity to bear witness. Settle it, therefore in your minds, not to meditate beforehand how to answer, for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and sisters, and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. You will be hated by all for my name's sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.'

AS YOU SLOWLY READ OR LISTEN TO THE SCRIPTURE, WHICH LINE STANDS OUT? HIGHLIGHT IT IN THE TEXT. PRAY ABOUT HOW GOD MAY BE SPEAKING TO YOU THROUGH THIS LINE?

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PRAYERFULLY THINK ABOUT HOW YOU COULD SERVE THE POOR BOTH TODAY AND IN THE FUTURE. CAN SUPPORT CHARITIES OR DONATE TO A FOOD BANK OR LOCAL SOUP KITCHEN.

ALSO, THINK ABOUT A WAY THAT POVERTY COULD BE ENDED AROUND THE WORLD AND MAKE THIS YOUR PRAYER. IT COULD BE THAT GOVERNMENTS WORK TOGETHER SO THAT EVERYONE HAS ENOUGH FOOD. MAYBE IT'S THAT EVERY CHILD CAN GO TO SCHOOL. KEEP THIS IN PRAYER AND PERHAPS ONE DAY YOU CAN PLAY YOUR PART IN MAKING THIS PRAYER A REALITY.

WORD OF THE WEEK

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PRAYER

JESUS INVITES US TO LOVE AND PRAY FOR THE POOR. WRITE A SIMPLE PRAYER FOR THE POOR BELOW.

WONDER QUESTIONS

WHAT DO YOU THINK JESUS MEANS WHEN HE SAYS, "YOU WILL GAIN YOUR LIVES?"

JESUS SAYS THE MOST DIFFICULT TIMES WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES TO BEAR WITNESS, WHAT COULD HE MEAN?

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