Questions on Mark chapter 13

1. Matthew says, “His disciples” called Jesus’ attention to the buildings, but what does Mark, the more specific writer, say? Verses 1-2.

2. Matthew simply says, “the disciples” came to Jesus privately, but whom does Mark identify? Verse 3.

3. What two questions did the disciples ask about Jesus’ shocking statement concerning the temple being destroyed? Verse 4.

4. What was one of the “signs” of the things Jesus predicted? Verses 5-6.

5. What was another “sign”? Verses 7-8.

6. Do you think the wars and rumors of wars would have been those that threatened the peace of the Jews? Verse 8.

7. What else did Jesus identify as signs that may have unnerved the disciples and caused them to think the end was near? Verse 8.

8. For what were the disciples to watch besides the signs? Verse 9.

9. Was the gospel “published” among all nations before the destruction of the temple? Verse 10. (See Colossians 1:23)

10. In one word, what are the disciples promised in verse 11?

11. What can the disciples expect before the end of life and what assures their salvation? Verse 12-13.

12. What is the last sign that will indicate the time to flee Judea? Verse 14. (See Luke 21:20)

13. Why should they try not to retrieve anything from houses or fields? Verses 15-16.

14. Why would it be hard for expectant and nursing mothers and why pray that travel will not be in winter? Verses 17-19.

15. Will “all flesh” be threatened or do you think it refers to all Jewish flesh? Verse 20.

16. Since Jesus had spoken about His coming again, would it be natural for a report to go out that He had come? Verses 21-23.

17. Matthew says “immediately” after the tribulation of those days, the things in verses 24-27 will transpire. How can this be understood with reference to the end of the world? Can it be reconciled with the time after the destruction of Jerusalem? Verses 24-27.

18. What was it that they were to know was nigh when they saw “these things”? Verse 28-29.

19. Could Mark’s words in verse 30 mean that when they saw “these things,” the “Son of man’s” coming would still be in the future?

20. What stressed the absolute certainty of all that Jesus had predicted? Verse 31.

21. Who would be the only one to know the day and hour of the coming of the Son of man? Verses 32-33.

22. Does Jesus plainly indicate His own departure from the earth? Verse 34.

23. What does the Son of man expect of His servants in His absence? Verse 34.

24. What would signify the position of the apostles in this parable and what would be their duties? Verses 34-37.