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Sermon Worksheet for Small Groups or Individual Devotions

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Sermon Topic: Four Don'ts to Remember

Text: Luke 21:5-19

GROUP DISCUSSION: Can you think of a time where you or someone you knew was easily misled? How did it make you feel? What did you do about it?

PERSONAL REFLECTION: Do you believe that taking people at face value and showing compassion leads to being taken advantage of? Why? Why not?

1. As the disciples were admiring the temple stonework, Jesus said, "The time is coming when all of these things will be completely demolished. Not one stone will be left on top of another!" What do you think Jesus was trying to say to his disciples and to us?

2. Jesus tells his followers not to be misled. How have the church been misled by those claiming to be Christ? How can the church protect itself against those who claim to be Christ?

3. Jesus stated that there would be wars and insurrections. He instructs his followers not to panic. Why is this important?

4. What does the phrase "Jesus' return won't be a secret" mean to you?

5. In your opinion, do you believe most of the conflicts in our world could be settled in discussion? Why? Why not?

6. If half the things in the world that we worry and fret about never happen, in your opinion why do we worry about them?

7. Why is it important to share our story about God with others?

8. Why is praying for enemies and those who oppress others so important?

9. Why is not giving up so important on this Christian walk?

10. What have you learned from this sermon and lesson?

