# End Times | April 18-24, 2021 Discussion Guide

# **The Birth Pains**

# **KEY BIBLE PASSAGE: Matthew 24:3-8 (ESV)**

#### **Icebreaker Questions**

Birth pain stories. Go! OR a story of a time you went through great pain but came through it.

## In Matthew 24 Jesus is teaching His followers how to live.

- Why are exact dates, especially regarding the return of Jesus, not that important to the text?
- Why should we not get caught up in date setting?
- What should our attitude be regarding the timing of the Second Coming?

## In Matthew 24:4-5. Believers will face deceptions.

- How would you define deceptions?
- How can we as individuals, as a small group, and as a church fight against deception?

#### Followers of Jesus will face tribulation.

- How would you define tribulation?
- How does the experience of our current pandemic shed light on how tribulation will feel?
- Should we expect trouble in this life? Why?
- Should we be alarmed (verse 6)? Why not?
- How are we comforted in times of trial and difficulty?
- How can our small group and our church support one another in times of need?

### Read Psalm 104:3, Daniel 7:13, and Matthew 24:30.

- How will Jesus return?
- How will this differ from His first coming?

#### **Response Time**

- What are some of the main truths that God wants you to know from this study?
- How do your thoughts need to adjust to align with these truths?

Don't Forget Weekly Check-ins









