

### **“Surprise Ending”**

*This set of questions is based on Patrick’s and Mike’s sermon March 8 from Mark 13:1–19.*

1. “Trust the Planner, not the plan.” In the sermon, this was applied particularly to God’s plan for the future, and especially to views concerning the second coming of Christ. In what other ways do Christians sometimes trust the plan rather than (or more than) the Planner?
2. Misunderstanding Scripture can have grave results. Based on the surrounding verses, what do you think Paul means in 1 Corinthians 15:33 when he says, “Bad company corrupts good character”?

If applicable, tell of a time in your own life when wrong beliefs about God and His will had harmful consequences.

3. Without naming the offender, tell of a time when you felt you were being micro-managed. How did it make you feel?

Do you agree that an extreme interest in God’s “timetable,” and an apparent desire to know more that Scripture states, sometimes indicates a lack of trust in Him? Give one or two specific ways you can apply this warning in your own life.