

Talk Notes

Have you ever wanted a perfect world?

1. The coming of the Kingdom of God

2. What you need to know about Jesus' return

- a) Jesus' return will be unmistakable.
- b) Jesus' return will be sudden and unexpected.
- c) Jesus' return will divide people.

the Kingdom of God



Luke's story of Jesus

chapter 17:20–37



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Getting to know one another...

The story so far

In the Old Testament times before Jesus, God's people were looking forward to a time called "the Kingdom of God". This would be a time when everything would be perfect, when evil would be destroyed, and when God would live with His people forever.

Even before Jesus was born angels said that he was born to be King. As an adult, Jesus gathered a group of disciples who followed him, listened to his teaching, and saw his miracles. After experiencing all these things they concluded that Jesus truly is God's chosen King (Luke 9:20).

Now Jesus is heading to Jerusalem—the capital city, the city of the kings. As Jesus travels along the road he has much to teach us about the Kingdom of God.

1. The Kingdom of God is coming

Read Luke 17:20–21.

Are there any difficult words that need explaining?

How does Jesus answer the Pharisees' question about when the Kingdom of God would come?

2. The Kingdom of God will come fully

Read Luke 17:22–37.

Are there any difficult words that need explaining?

Who is Jesus speaking to now?

What do you think 'the day of the Son of Man' means?

When Jesus returns the Kingdom of God will have come fully. But what needs to happen first?

Split up into smaller groups or pairs. Then go through the passage and discover everything you can about 'the day of the Son of Man'.

Why do you think Jesus told his disciples these things? How does it help us?