

## **Community Group Discussion Questions**

**Moraga Valley Presbyterian Church | Sunday, February 4, 2024**

**The Beginning of the End: A Series in Mark | "Patient Endurance"**

### **Read Mark 13:1-37**

1. In what ways have you seen "false labor" events, like false teachers, wars, earthquakes, and famines, try to distract people and make them think Jesus' return is imminent? How can we keep the right perspective during turbulent times?
2. Jesus calls his followers to "patient endurance" as we wait for his return. What does patient endurance look like in your life? How can your group support you?
3. Persecution and suffering, while difficult, can serve as a powerful testimony (v. 9). Has anyone in your life modeled what this looks like? What did you learn from them?
4. Jesus warns that his followers will face persecution from outside and inside sources (v. 12-13). What external or internal forces make it difficult for you to follow Jesus wholeheartedly?
5. Jesus ends by urging his followers to "keep watch" and not be caught sleeping (v. 33-37). What practical steps can you take to be spiritually awake and ready for Jesus' return? How can your group keep each other accountable in this?