



# LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42*

**SERIES NAME:**

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**MESSAGE NAME:**

A Call to Hope

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**KEY PASSAGE(S):**

Matthew 24

Read Matthew 24:3-12 together as a group

**Q: In what ways do we experience deception in our daily lives?**

Pastor Chris mentioned a few ways we're deceived: through doubting who God is, blaming God for things that happen, or expecting God to give us everything we expect.

**Share a time when you had hope! What was that moment like?**

Read Matthew 24:13 together.

**Q: What do you find hope in? Speak honestly.**

**Q: What are ways we can remind ourselves that our hope is in Christ? Matthew 24:13 says, "the one who endures will be saved." How do we maintain hope when we feel defeated?**

Read Matthew 24:14 together. Pastor Chris said, "Finding hope in the gospel means that we count our lives as nothing in comparison to the hope we receive in Jesus."

**Q: What are some ways we can find our hope in the gospel instead of our own personal comfort?**

Hope is not Optimism. Optimism is psychological and hope is theological. Optimism is personal trust in yourself, hope is personal trust in God. Optimism is what you think YOU can do, Hope is what you think God can do. – Rick Warren

**Q: How do you feel most attacked when it comes to losing hope?**

**During your group prayer time, please spend some time praying over the persecuted church that their hope in the Gospel would be renewed.**