



## Small Group Study Guide

### Luke: "Live by Faith"

Luke 5:17-26

Go around the circle and tell of a time when it was hard to "trust"  
(not necessarily in God, but maybe with your parents, a roller-coaster, rock climbing - just a story from your life we can relate to).

Please read our companion passage for the story of the healing of the paralytic from Luke 5 is found in **Hebrews 10:35-39**.

Explain how the quotation, speaking of Jesus, "*He who is coming will come and will not delay,*" is motivation for you and I to (vs 35) "*not throw away your confidence,*" and (vs 36) to "*persevere?*"

There is a story that Jesus tells in the gospels that illustrates the attitude and actions of the believer during this age:

**Read Mark 13:32-37 and answer these questions:**

1. What does he mean by, vs 33 - "*Be on guard! Be alert!*"?
2. The illustration of the man on a trip (vs 34) says "*He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge.*" What has God put you in charge of?
3. If you were the owner of the house, what would you want to find when you returned? Why?
4. What would be different if the Father revealed the exact year, day, and hour of Jesus' return? How would that affect how people live?

**Hebrews 11:1** says - "*Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.*"

What changes need to happen in your life and home to be prepared for the hopeful return of our Lord?