

Mark 13-14

Stay Awake

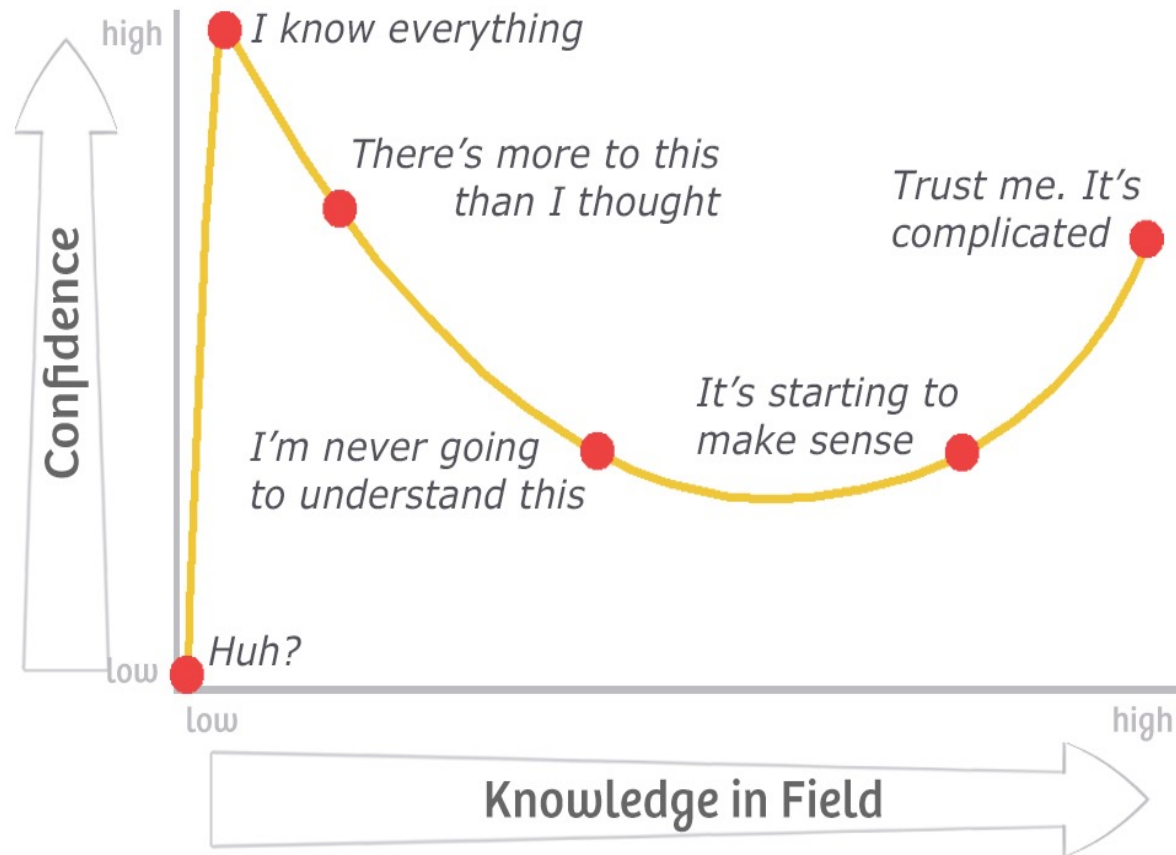
In Your Study

What does it mean? Ask this first.

Then ask:

How can I apply it?

Should I apply it?



Interpretive Options of Mark 13:13-23

- a. Verses 14-18 refer to the woes that were to befall Jerusalem and Judea in A.D. 70. The remainder of the passage (verse 19-23) is dealing with the great tribulation that will precede Christ's return.
- b. Verses 14-23 describe Jerusalem's fall and nothing else.
- c. Verses 13-23 describe the great tribulation that will immediately precede Christ's return.
- d. These are prophetic passages in which Jerusalem's approaching catastrophe (A.D. 70) is a type of the tribulation at the end of new age or dispensation.

“Therefore stay awake for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning.” (Mark 13:35)

“Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.” (Matt. 24:42)

“But stay awake, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.” (Luke 21:36)

Be Alert, Be On Your Guard, Keep Watch

- Worship (Heb. 10:24-25)
- Be accountable (Eph. 5:21)
- Pray (I Thess. 5:17)
- Use your gifts to serve the body (I Cor. 12:7)
- Work to maintain unity (Eph. 4:3)
- Go and make disciples (Matt. 28:19-20)
- Attend the Worship Service.
- Join a group which encourages accountability.
- Join others in prayer.
- Find places to serve.
- Keep watch on your tongue.
- Get trained in evangelism, join others in praying for the lost, walk across the street to meet your neighbor.

“Alone he faces his enemies, alone he suffers, and alone he is going to lay down his life, in order that all those who accept him as their Savior and Lord may never be alone. Hallelujah, what a Savior!” – William Hendriksen

O, the Grace and Mercy of God!

- Thank you, God! We are forgiven!
- Thank you, God. Thank you Holy Spirit!
- Thank you, God. Your mercies are new every morning!