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Series: The Living and the Dead
Part 2: Scared to Death—No One Knows the Date or the Time
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1. A line from one of the opening songs says: “Open up the heavens, we want to see you.” What do you mean when you sing lines that speak of wanting to see Jesus or God?
2. Are you afraid of the dark or have you had a frightening experience in the dark?
3. Does the news stir up tension in you? How do you alleviate it?
4. What television show do you watch that “raises your blood pressure”?
5. What are some of the reasons we love the light so much?
6. John 1:9 says, Jesus “is the true light that gives light to every man.” How is light a perfect metaphor for Jesus?
7. Romans 5:5 says, “God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.”
 - Have you ever felt there was a time you were able to love only by the power of the Holy Spirit in you?
 - How can we love those we strongly disagree with?
 - Do you have any racist tendencies? (If a black man or woman of enormous wealth and power and talent offered to change places with you, would you want to?)
8. Romans 5:5 also says, “Hope does not disappoint.” How has hope carried you through a difficult time? In what ways has God proven hope in him is not unfounded?
9. What three things did Shay say we should do to prepare for Christ’s return? (**Be sober (to be calm and collected in the Spirit), Protect you heart, Guard your mind.**)
10. Who do you know that lives a “sober” life, that is, a life with a calm and collected spirit? How is this displayed?
11. What does it mean for a Christian to have a cold heart? How do we recognize if our heart is cold in any way and what can we do to make it warm—compassionate and kind, caring and loving—like God’s heart? Does cold also mean apathetic and disbelieving and what can we do about that?
12. What are you feeding your mind? (What does it mean to “guard your mind”?)
13. How do you imagine responding when you first see Jesus?
14. In our closing song Sunday there was a section where names of Jesus flashed on the screen. What is your favorite name or favorite adjective for Jesus?