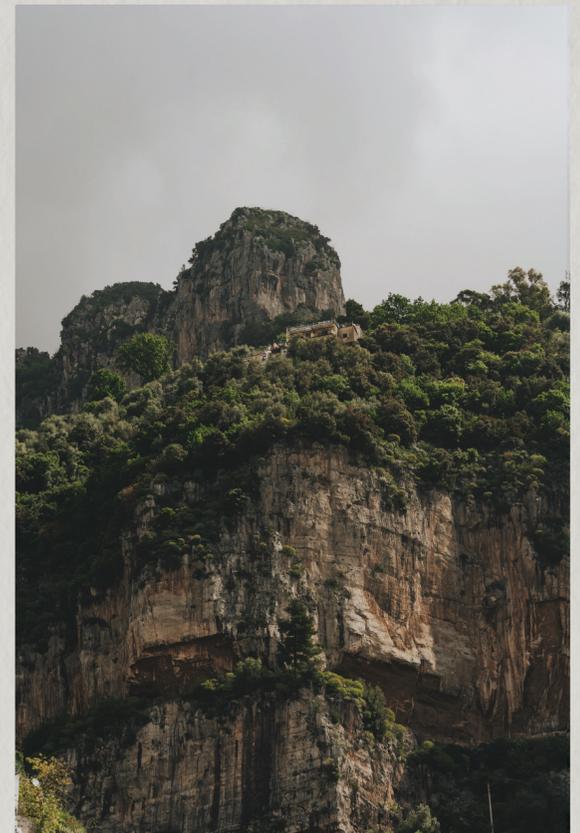


**12** THE KING'S  
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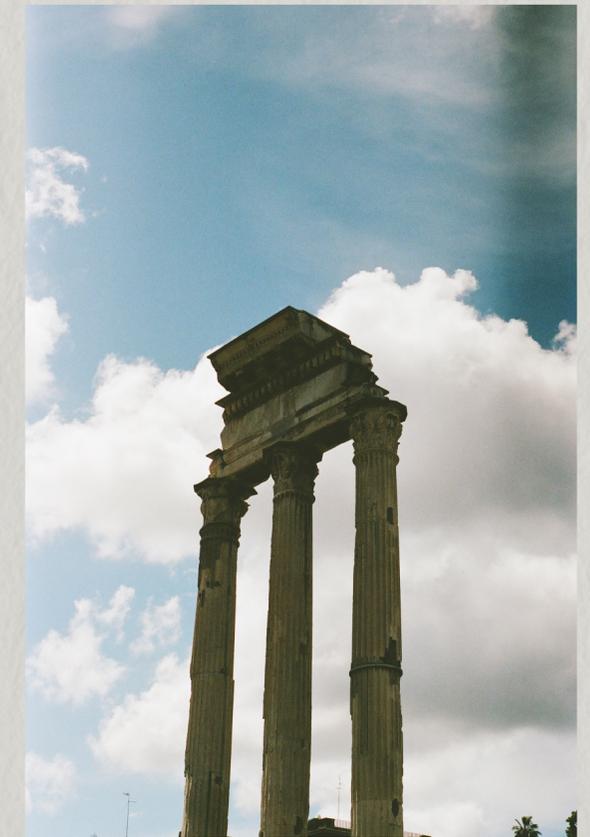
# *Context*

## The King & the Temple | Mark 11-13

- Triumphant entry into Jerusalem
- Prophesies destruction for Israel
- Clears out the temple courts
- Debates with religious leaders
- Denounces the religious leaders
- Commends a poor widow
- Leaves the temple with a shocking statement...

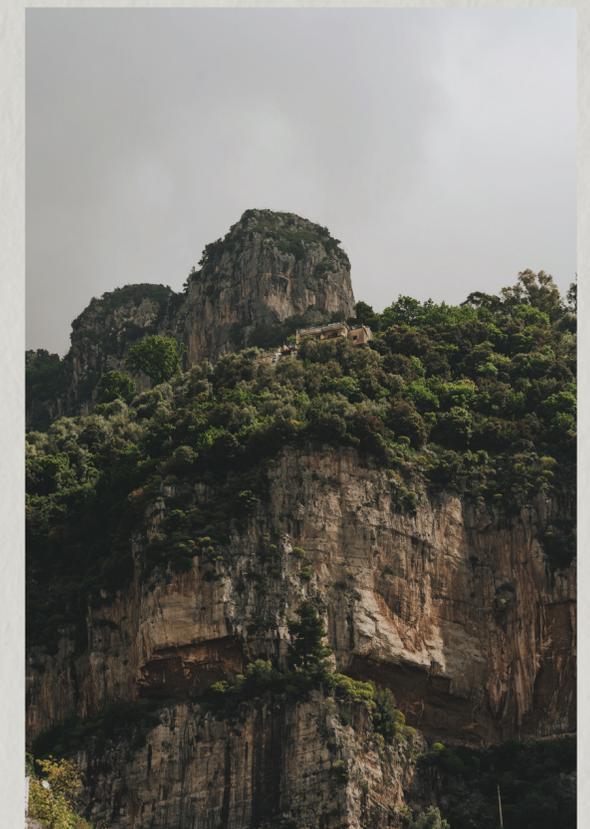


# 12 THE KING'S PREDICTIONS



## Mark 13:1-2 *niv*

As Jesus was leaving the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher! What massive stones! What magnificent buildings!”<sup>2</sup> “Do you see all these great buildings?” replied Jesus. “Not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.”



# Herod's Temple

*Central to Israel's National & Religious Identity*

**“The exterior of the building lacked nothing that could astound either mind or eye...To approaching strangers it appeared from a distance like a snow-clad mountain; for all that was not over laid with gold was of purest white.”**

- Flavius Josephus, *Book Five, Chapter 5*

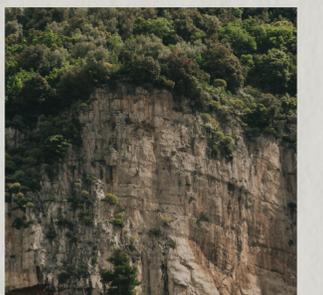


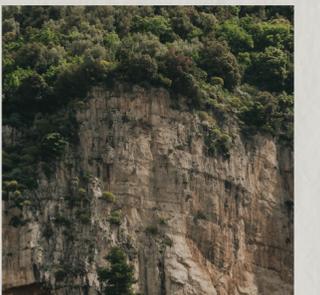
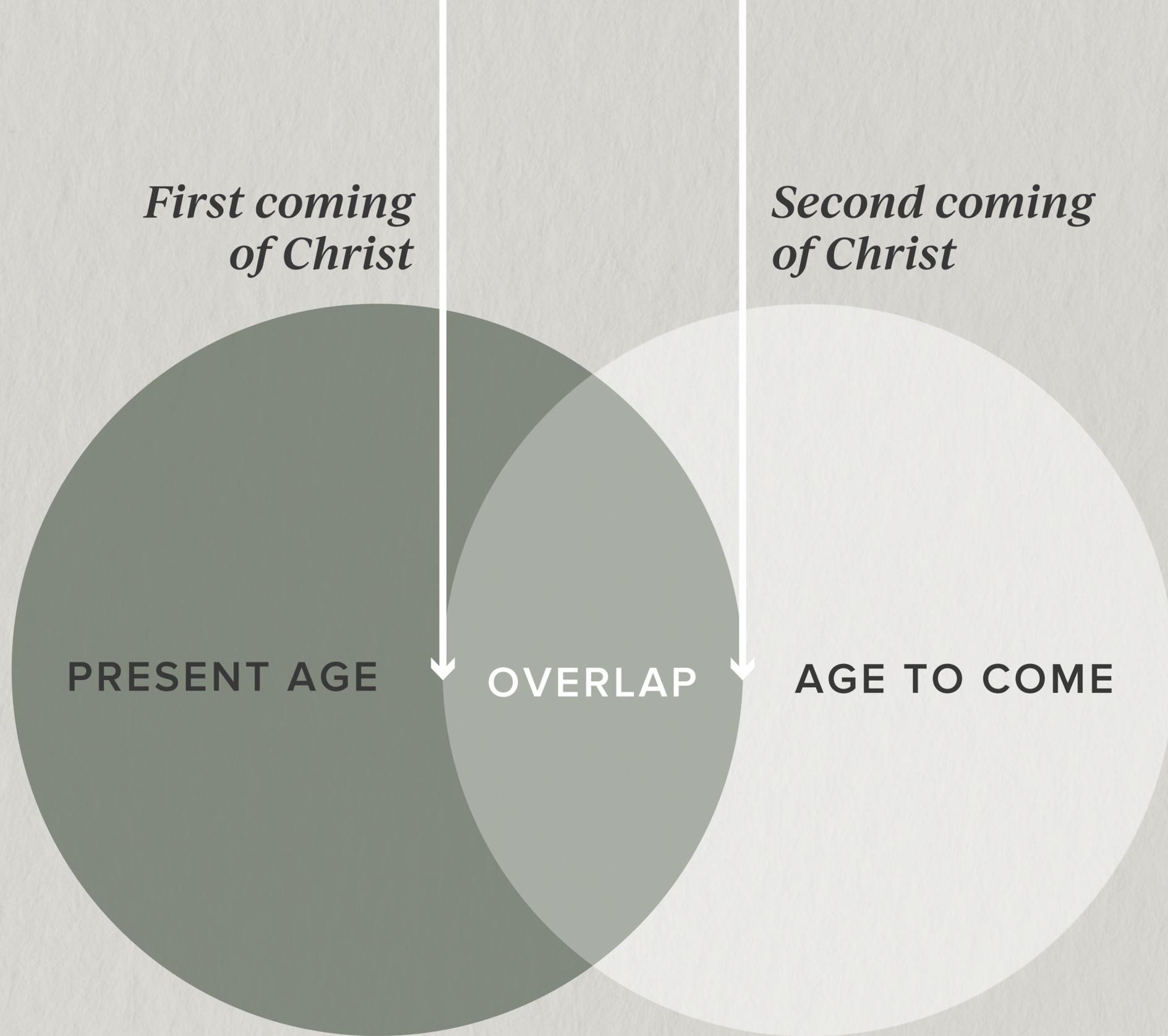
## Mark 13:3-4 *niv*

<sup>2</sup> “Do you see all these great buildings?” replied Jesus. “Not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.”

<sup>3</sup> As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup> “Tell us, when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are all about to be fulfilled?”

*Destruction of the Temple + Second Coming of Christ*

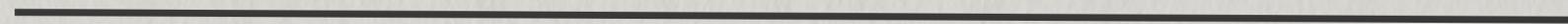




# Approaches to the Olivet Discourse

APATHY

*casual disregard*



ANXIETY

*fearful obsession*

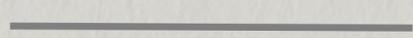


# Approaches to the Olivet Discourse

APATHY  
*casual disregard*



ANTICIPATION  
*hopeful expectation*



ANXIETY  
*fearful obsession*



*Deception*  
Suffering  
Persecution

**Mark 13:5-6 *niv***

Jesus said to them: “**Watch out that no one deceives you.** <sup>6</sup> Many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am he,’ and will deceive many.”



Deception  
*Suffering*  
Persecution

Mark 13:7-8 *niv*

“When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. <sup>8</sup> Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains.”



Deception  
Suffering  
*Persecution*

Mark 13:9 *niv*

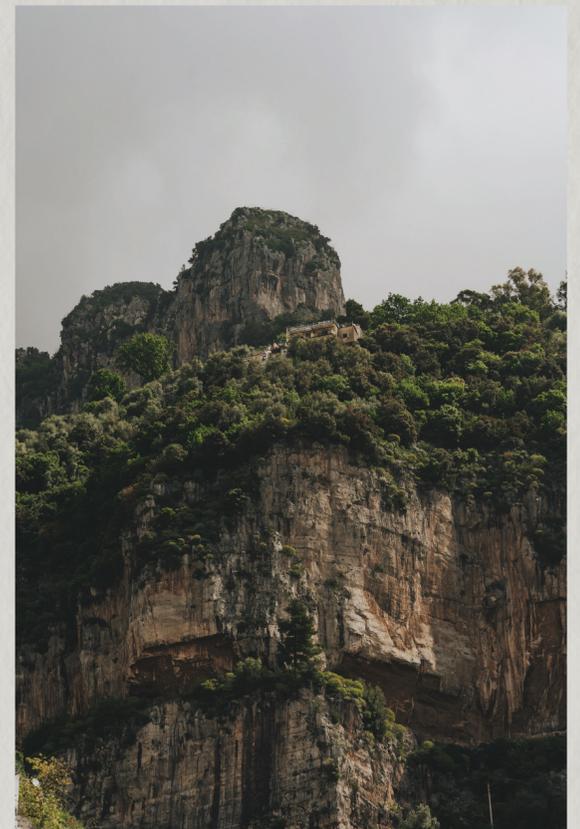
“You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them.”



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Christianity teaches that, contra fatalism, suffering is overwhelming; contra Buddhism, suffering is real; contra karma, suffering is often unfair; but contra secularism, suffering is meaningful. There is a purpose to it, and if faced rightly, it can drive us like a nail deep into the love of God and into more stability and spiritual power than you can imagine.

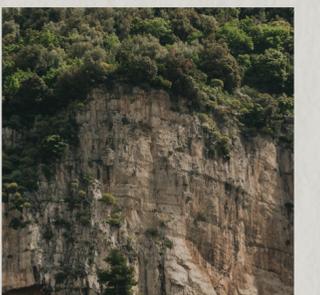
- Tim Keller, *Walking with God through Pain and Suffering*



*Proclaim*  
Persevere

**Mark 13:10-11 *niv***

“And the gospel must first be preached to all nations. <sup>11</sup> Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.”



Proclaim  
*Persevere*

### Mark 13:12-13 *niv*

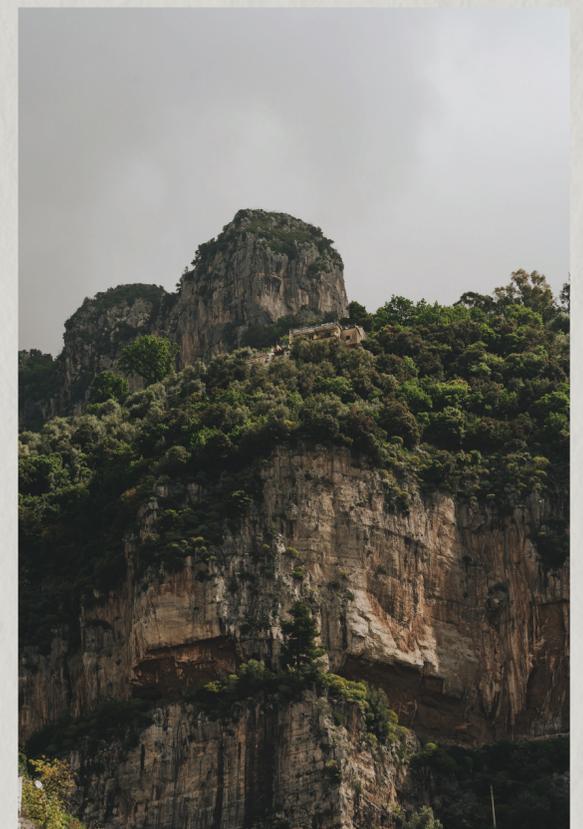
“Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child. Children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. <sup>13</sup> Everyone will hate you because of me, but the one who **stands firm to the end** will be saved.”



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The premium of discipleship is placed not on predicting the future but on faithfulness in the present, especially in trials, adversity, and suffering.

- James Edwards, *The Gospel According to Mark*



FOLLOWING JESUS THROUGH HARDSHIP:



*Abide in Him, announce the  
good news, and anticipate  
His return*

