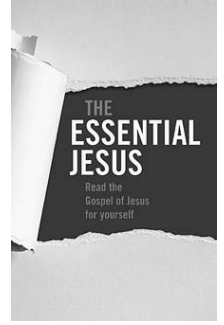




# ESSENTIAL JESUS

## Bible Study 24

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### STEP 1: READING

Read Luke chapter 13, verses 1-35.

### STEP 2: REFLECTION

Understanding our time is vital. Jesus introduced the great turning point of history. He forced the issue of repentance: how do you stand with God? Would they trust and follow God’s King when he came amongst them and so receive forgiveness, or would they be stubborn? God is patiently looking for the fruit of repentance. But his patience will not last. How many are going to be saved? Make sure you find the narrow way and enter it! In the meantime Jesus is pressing on to Jerusalem, since that will where he will be killed, it being the nature of that city to kill its prophets. Where is the kingdom? It is here, as a seed is in the ground; in due course it will be like the tree. It is both here and yet to come and we live between those two points. Use the time well.

### STEP 3: DISCUSSION

1 Where are we in God’s timetable and what are the consequences of living where we do?

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2 What will the rejection of God’s kingdom by Israel lead to in God’s plans for the world?

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3 Why do you think Herod may have plotted to kill Jesus? Why did he kill John the Baptist?

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4 What is wrong with those who criticised Jesus for healing on the Sabbath?

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