Something Is About To Happen (Mark 13:33-37)

Intro: My bad habit when watching movies

- I. SOMETHING IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN
 - A. The early Church lived on "tiptoes" (v.33)
 - B. We, at times, live on tiptoe anticipating the future

II. IS SOMETHING ABOUT TO HAPPEN?

- A. At times in our lives, we wonder...
- B. The early Church also wondered (vv. 33-36)

III. SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED!

- A. Jesus said At evening, at late night, at cockcrow, at dawn (v. 35)
 - 1. At evening -
 - 2. At late night -
 - 3. At cockcrow -
 - 4. At dawn -
- B. Everything uncertain in our future is anchored in the certainty of the Cross
 - 1. The Cross tells me what is my true and lasting hope...
 - 2. Note the message of the cross that comes again and again in our hymns...
 - 3. In the face of anything the world throws my way, there is the Cross
 - 4. In the beautiful face of Jesus on the Cross I see an absolute assurance of :
 - a) God's undying love for me, and
 - b) God's loving plan for my future (Jeremiah 29:11)

IV. SOMETHING IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN

- A. Every moment of the day is alive with the promise of God's future & Jesus' return
- B. In the Church, like nowhere else, we realize something <u>is</u> about to happen (v. 37)
 - 1. Every time we recite the Creed ...
 - 2. Every time a baby is baptized...
 - 3. Every time we hear Jesus' words *Take and eat, take and drink...*
 - 4. Every time Christian people speak a word of forgiveness in Jesus' name

Conclusion: The last verse of the Bible: Come, Lord Jesus