

Prayer Focus

May 10 - 16, 2021

Watching

Are you watching for the Lord's return?

⁴³⁶But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. ³⁷But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. ³⁸For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying, and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. ⁴⁰Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. ⁴²Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming." Matthew 24:36-42

Those who watch are alert, ready to act - either offensively or defensively, and are looking to shore up weaknesses against enemy attack; they do not sleep and are entrusted with others' safety.

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." Colossians 4:2 (NIV) See also, "Be earnest and unwearied and steadfast in your prayer [life], being [both] alert and intent in [your praying] with thanksgiving." Colossians 4:2 (Amplified)

"13Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. 14Let all that you do be done with love." 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

We have been warned that while we look for and anticipate the Lord's return, we also must be alert that we do not fall into temptation or be led astray by the deceiver's schemes or the love of this world.

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour." 1 Peter 5:8

"Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves." Matthew 7:15

"Then He said to them, 'Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." Luke 12:15

Let us be on guard, watching fervently with diligence, love, and expectation for our returning Bridegroom and King.

"But as for me, I will look to the LORD and confident in Him I will keep watch; I will wait with hope and expectancy for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me." Micah 7:7 (Amplified)

"The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray." 1 Peter 4:7

Pray

- For the body of Messiah to grasp with expectation the urgency, seriousness, and joy of this hour. May we be preparing ourselves, gathering the lost, and sharing our hope as we wait for Jesus' return.
- To be alert, awake, and awaiting the orders from on High as we keep watch day and night.
- For protection from deception, a rooting and grounding in the Word and to be sanctified by the truth.
- That we would have heaven's focus and perspective, and that we would build up treasures in heaven, not on this earth. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:19-21
- For a greater longing and desire for Jesus' return personally and collectively.
 May we live truly expectant, watchful, ready, filled with purpose and urgency as His coming is near.

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