



God's Measure Of Our Watchfulness

Luke 21:34-36, Mark 13:35-37, 2 Timothy
4:8, Revelation 3:10, Revelation 22, 2
Peter 3:3-4, 1 John 2:28, Matthew 24:33

Watch And Pray



- There are two groups of Christians; those who are watching for Christ's return, and those who are not.
- Jesus is looking for how faithful we are in watching for His return.
- Those who love His appearing and are watching for His return will be rewarded with the crown of righteousness.
- The crown of righteousness is so valuable that Jesus said to hold onto to it.
- Jesus said His return will happen when the world least expects it.

Be Prepared By Watching

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- We must watch and pray so we will not be ashamed and embarrassed in that moment when we stand before our Savior.
- God's call on our life in these final days is to watch and pray.
- It is vital that we watch and pray because we are the first generation to experience all the signs Jesus listed for the end times.
- Jesus said we should not be caught off guard.
- We cannot stop what's coming, but we can watch and pray.

Signs of the Times



- For what should we be watching, and about what should we be praying?
- Israel is God's timepiece of the ages.
- All end time prophecies, including the return of Jesus Christ, could not happen until Israel had returned to their land.
- The moment Israel became a nation, God turned over His hourglass and started His countdown for the end of the age.
- The sign of convergence is when numerous signs all happen at once and continue to happen so frequently, they cannot be numbered.
- We are the first generation to experience all of the signs of convergence at the same time.

Watch For Certain Signs And Events



- Another sign for which we should watch is the sign of deception.
- Jesus warned that the final generation would be flooded with lies and deception.
- One of the great deceptions of the end times is the apostasy in the church.
- Destructive themes that reject the truth and teachings of God's Word are being taught in the church.
- These destructive themes include:
 - Everyone will go to heaven, including atheists who hate God and curse Him.
 - The church has replaced Israel and God has rejected Israel.
 - We call what God says is sin and evil as being good, and what God calls good as being evil.

Conclusion



- The closer we come to Jesus' return, the more we are to pray and live a life of prayer.
- The only way we can escape all the terrible and evil things that are about to happen on the earth is by a pre-tribulation rapture of the church.
- We are to watch for the signs of His return and pray He will return and deliver us from the evil that is coming upon the whole world.
- Watch and pray for Christ's return; it is as certain as the rising sun.