

Welcome to Spiritual Wisdom Knowledge and Understanding

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Today's message is called Preparing for Jesus Return

How do you prepare yourself for the return of Jesus Christ?

In my last couple of messages, I've been teaching on setting an example...well God has set a great example for us to follow.

Luke 2:31 New King James Version (NKJV)

³¹ Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples,

Luke 7:27 New King James Version (NKJV)

²⁷ This is *he* of whom it is written:

'Behold, I send My messenger before Your face

Romans 9:23 New King James Version (NKJV)

²³ and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory,

Ephesians 2:10 New King James Version (NKJV)

¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Paul wrote in Ephesians that we should walk in the preparedness.

So how do we do that?

Hebrews 11:7 New King James Version (NKJV)

⁷ By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world

The way Noah did it is by creating an ark to save his family. He did it on faith. God told him and he did it.

That means you need to be listening to God's word and prepare your household. You see God prepared Noah for the destruction of the Earth by flood.

Do you think God is trying to prepare us for the destruction of the Earth described in Revelation?

Revelation 6:12-17 New King James Version (NKJV)

Sixth Seal: Cosmic Disturbances

¹² I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, ^[a] there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon ^[b] became like blood. ¹³ And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. ¹⁴ Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place. ¹⁵ And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, ^[c] the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, ¹⁶ and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!" ¹⁷ For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

Do you see the fear in mankind during this specific event Revelation speaks of?

Is He preparing you for it?

Yes.

How is He preparing us for it?

Matthew 24:25 New King James Version (NKJV)

²⁵ See, I have told you beforehand.

Matthew 24:29-31 New King James Version (NKJV)

The Coming of the Son of Man

²⁹ "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ³⁰ Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹ And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Do you see that the same thing Jesus says here in Matthew 24 is the same thing Revelation 6 spoke of? He is definitely preparing us for His return.

Matthew 24:45-51 New King James Version (NKJV)

The Faithful Servant and the Evil Servant

⁴⁵ "Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? ⁴⁶ Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. ⁴⁷ Assuredly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all his goods. ⁴⁸ But if that evil servant

says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,'^[a] 49 and begins to beat *his* fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, 50 the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for *him* and at an hour that he is not aware of, 51 and will cut him in two and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

See that He says there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Those are the people who didn't prepare.

Preparation is a daily action that we're entrusted with. You see our Master is expecting us to do as He says and when He returns and finds us doing what He says, we will be blessed. We saw what happens to those who weren't ready. What happens to those who are ready?

2 Thessalonians 2:1-4 New King James Version (NKJV)

The Great Apostasy

2 Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, 2 not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ^[a] had come. 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for *that Day will not come* unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin^[b] is revealed, the son of perdition, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God^[c] in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 New King James Version (NKJV)

The Comfort of Christ's Coming

13 But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.^[a]

15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive *and* remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

As you can see, we will know and have some idea of Jesus second return.

Yes, we won't know the exact day or the hour...

Matthew 24:36 New King James Version (NKJV)

No One Knows the Day or Hour

36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven,^[a] but My Father only.

But we will know the season, possibly even the year and month.

So I see two things here – a spiritual readiness and a physical readiness. Spiritually, you need to be in the Word and know what’s going on by reading His word. Being in the presence of God and hearing His Word.

Physically, you need to have your house in order as if you won’t be here tomorrow. Don’t leave your mess for someone else to pick up. Another way to think of this is how do you want people to think of you after you die. Do you want them to find out all your secrets after you die? Or do you not have any secrets? If you live your life ready to be exposed for what it is, and it is without secrets, then you are ready.

If you have secrets, then you aren’t ready, at least not in the idea of showing your life as an example to others.

You should be properly motivated. You don’t want secrets exposed...so don’t have any.

That means live your life as if someone is watching you from above – oh and by the way, God is watching you from above.

Psalm 44:21 New King James Version (NKJV)

²¹ Would not God search this out?

For He knows the secrets of the heart.

Are you ready for His return? Do others know you are ready? Do you smile every time the return of Jesus is mentioned or do you get scared thinking you need more time? That’s a big telltale sign that you aren’t ready.

Be ready folks.

He is coming!

Hallelujah!

Dear Heavenly Father, help me prepare for Your return mentally and physically so I can set an example for others and they can do the same. For I know You are returning and I know that I want to be ready for Your return. Thank You Heavenly Father for being prepared and telling us in advance. I declare You Lord Jesus over my unpreparedness so that I place You in control to prepare me for Your return. Thank You in Jesus’ name, Amen!

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Hallelujah and Be blessed!