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## **End-Time Readiness and the Second Coming**

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### **End-Time Readiness and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ**

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### **End-Time Readiness and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ**

End-Time Readiness isn't about fear; it's about *hope, purpose, and preparation*. The promise of Jesus Christ's Second Coming reminds us that history isn't random and life isn't meaningless. God has a plan, and every person counts in that plan. Jesus

isn't returning to cause confusion, but to bring fulfillment—restoring what is broken and rewarding those who walked with Him.

To be “ready” means to live each day with intention. It means staying connected to God, growing in faith, and walking in love, truth, and obedience. Readiness is not about perfection—**it is about relationship**. Just like a close friend you expect to visit, you keep your heart and life open and prepared. Jesus taught His followers to be watchful, not worried; faithful, not fearful.

### **Why should people be ready?**

Because life is temporary, but eternity is real. Every choice we make influences not only our current life but also our everlasting future. Being prepared aligns us with God’s will, shields us from lies, and helps us live in peace instead of doubt. It gives purpose to everyday life—how we treat others, how we think, and how we handle challenges.

### **How does this affect daily life?**

End-Time readiness brings clarity. It helps us:

- Stay focused on what truly matters
- Let go of distractions and sins that weigh us down
- Live with purpose, integrity, and urgency
- Walk in hope, even during difficult times
- A person who lives ready is not shaken easily. They carry peace because their future is secure in Christ.

End-Time readiness is rooted in the words of Jesus Himself. He did not teach this to create fear, but to prepare hearts, strengthen faith, and invite people into a living relationship with Him.

### **1. Jesus Calls Us to Be Ready**

**Scripture:** *Matthew 24:44*

“Therefore, you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

## **Disciples Know**

Jesus clearly teaches readiness. This means living daily in alignment with God—not waiting until “later.” Readiness is a lifestyle of faith, not a last-minute decision. You might never get the chance to make a last-minute decision.

## **2. Stay Watchful and Spiritually Awake**

**Scripture:** *Matthew 25:13*

“Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.”

### **Discipling Insight:**

Jesus encourages spiritual alertness. A disciple stays aware, sensitive to God, and actively growing—not distracted or spiritually asleep.

## **3. Live Faithfully Until He Returns**

**Scripture:** *Luke 12:35-37*

“Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning... Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching.”

### **True Disciples Understand:**

Faithfulness in daily life is important. Jesus rewards those who stay committed, consistent, and faithful in their walk.

## **4. Do Not Let Your Heart Be Troubled**

**Scripture:** *John 14:1-3*

“Let not your heart be troubled... I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go... I will come again and receive you to Myself.”

### **Discipleship Insight**

The Second Coming is a promise of ***relationship and reunion***. Jesus is preparing a place—this brings comfort, not fear.

## **5. What Happens After This Life?**

**Scripture:** *John 11:25-26*

“I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.”

**Discipling Insight:**

Jesus affirms eternal life. Death is not the end—**it's a transition**. Believers are assured of living with God forever.

**6. Why It Matters Now**

**Scripture:** *Matthew 16:26*

“For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?”

**Discipleship Insight:** Jesus teaches an eternal perspective. This life is temporary, but the soul is everlasting. Living prepared keeps priorities aligned with God.

Simple Discipleship Summary (AIMCHURCH.ONLINE Style):

- **Be Ready** – Live each day connected to Jesus
- **Stay Watchful** – Keep your spirit alert and growing
- **Be Faithful** – Serve God consistently in daily life
- **Have Peace** – Jesus is coming back for you
- **Think Eternal** – Your life now impacts forever

**Final Encouragement:**

Jesus spoke often about His return because He cares deeply about people being prepared—not pressured. End-Time readiness is about walking with Him today so you can stand confidently tomorrow.