

Matthew 24:37-44

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore, you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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As the people stood by, watching, the rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

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Hope

Hear

See:

See the everydayness of life: The people in Noah's time were eating, drinking, and marrying up until the flood came, completely unaware of the impending judgment.

See the importance of priorities: Recognise that what you deem "important" is what you make time for.

See God's presence in daily life: Be aware of where God is working around you, even in the ordinary moments

Hear:

Hear Jesus' warning: Listen to the message to "stay awake" and "be ready".

Hear the call to repentance: Acknowledge personal faults and the need for a Saviour.

Hear the call to action: Listen for opportunities to put your faith into practice through actions.

"Am I ready *today*?": The main thought should be about the current state of your relationship with God, not a timeline for the future.

Priorities Matter: If something is truly important, time will be made for it. Is faith a top priority, or is it something to be put off?

Living with Purpose: Instead of worrying about "when," focus on "how" to live. Being ready means being found "doing the work of the Lord".

Authentic Faith: Being "ready" involves genuine internal preparation and active, faithful stewardship, not just a surface-level association with faith.

Think

Do:

Pray and Stay Active: The best way to "stay awake" spiritually is to remain active and engaged in your faith, including regular prayer and service.

Share Your Faith: Help others prepare by telling friends and family about Jesus so they can also be ready.

Live a Godly Lifestyle: Develop godly habits and make everyday actions an act of worship. Live with a sense of urgency that doesn't put off doing the right thing until tomorrow.

Seek Forgiveness: Repent of wrongs and seek forgiveness, ensuring your life is in alignment with God's will daily.

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