**Morning Watch Making Ourselves Ready For The Lord’s Coming – Week 4 July 31-Aug 6, 2023**

**Making Ourselves Ready for**

**the Lord’s Coming by**

**Being a Faithful and Prudent Slave**

**Monday 7/31**

**Matt. 24:45-47**

**45** Who then is the faithful and prudent slave, whom the master has set over his household to give them food at the proper time?

**46** Blessed is that slave whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing.

**47** Truly I say to you that he will set him over all his possessions.

**1 Cor. 4:2**

**2** Here, furthermore, it is sought in stewards that one be found faithful.

**Eph. 2:19**

**19** So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

**Col. 1:28**

**28** Whom we announce, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom that we may present every man full-grown in Christ;

**Col. 3:16**

**16** Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to God.

**1 Tim. 3:15**

**15** But if I delay, I write that you may know how one ought to conduct himself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and base of the truth.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Making Ourselves Ready for the Lord’s Coming – Week 4, Day 1*

**Tuesday 8/1**

**1 John 5:16**

**16** If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin not unto death, he shall ask and he will give life to him, to those sinning not unto death. There is a sin unto death; I do not say that he should make request concerning that.

**Phil. 1:24-25**

**24** But to remain in the flesh is more necessary for your sake.

**25** And being confident of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of the faith,

**Acts 4:20**

**20** For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

**Acts 5:20**

**20** Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life.

**Acts 6:4**

**4** But we will continue steadfastly in prayer and in the ministry of the word.

**Eph 3:2**

**2** If indeed you have heard of the stewardship of the grace of God which was given to me for you,

**2 Tim 4:2**

**2** Proclaim the word; be ready in season and out of season; convict, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and teaching.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Making Ourselves Ready for the Lord’s Coming – Week 4, Day 2*

**Wednesday 8/2**

**Zech. 4:12, 14**

**12** And I answered a second time and said to him, What are the two olive branches that are by the side of the two golden spouts, which empty the gold from themselves?

**14** And he said, These are the two sons of oil, who stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

**2 Cor. 3:6**

**6** Who has also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant, ministers not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

**Matt 25:7-9**

**7** Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their own lamps.

**8** And the foolish said to the prudent, Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.

**9** But the prudent answered, saying, Perhaps there will not be enough for us and for you; go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.

**2 Pet. 1:4**

**4** Through which He has granted to us precious and exceedingly great promises that through these you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption which is in the world by lust.

**Rev. 1:20**

**20** The mystery of the seven stars which you saw upon My right hand and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the messengers of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

**Rev. 3:18**

**18** I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined by fire that you may be rich, and white garments that you may be clothed and that the shame of your nakedness may not be manifested, and eyesalve to anoint your eyes that you may see.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Making Ourselves Ready for the Lord’s Coming – Week 4, Day 3*

**Thursday 8/3**

**Matt. 24:48-51**

**48** But if that evil slave says in his heart, My master delays,

**49** And begins to beat his fellow slaves and eats and drinks with the drunken,

**50** The master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour which he does not know,

**51** And will cut him asunder and appoint his portion with the hypocrites. In that place there will be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth.

**Matt. 24:44-45**

**44** For this reason you also be ready, because at an hour when you do not expect it, the Son of Man is coming.

**45** Who then is the faithful and prudent slave, whom the master has set over his household to give them food at the proper time?

**Matt. 25:13, 20, 22**

**13** Watch therefore, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

**20** And he who had received the five talents came and brought another five talents, saying, Master, you delivered to me five talents; behold, I have gained another five talents.

**22** And he who had received the two talents also came and said, Master, you delivered to me two talents; behold, I have gained another two talents.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Making Ourselves Ready for the Lord’s Coming – Week 4, Day 4*

**Friday 8/4**

**2 Tim. 4:8**

**8** Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, with which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will recompense me in that day, and not only me but also all those who have loved His appearing.

**Phil. 3:20**

**20** For our commonwealth exists in the heavens, from which also we eagerly await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

**Titus 2:12-13**

**12** Training us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in the present age,

**13** Awaiting the blessed hope, even the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,

**Rev. 19:7**

**7** Let us rejoice and exult, and let us give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.

**Rev. 22:20**

**20** He who testifies these things says, Yes, I come quickly. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

**Furt****her Reading:** *HWMR Making Ourselves Ready for the Lord’s Coming – Week 4, Day 5*

**Saturday 8/5**

**2 Cor. 6:14**

**14** Do not become dissimilarly yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership do righteousness and lawlessness have? Or what fellowship does light have with darkness?

**2 Tim. 2:22**

**22** But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

**Prov. 13:20**

**20** He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be troubled.

**Luke 19:17-19**

**17** And he said to him, Well done, good slave. Because you have become faithful in the least, have authority over ten cities.

**18** And the second came, saying, Your mina, master, has made five minas.

**19** And he said to this one as well, And you, be over five cities.

**Rev. 2:26**

**26** And he who overcomes and he who keeps My works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations;

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Making Ourselves Ready for the Lord’s Coming – Week 4, Day 6*

**Lord’s Day 8/6**

**Rev. 21:1-7**

**1** And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and the sea is no more.

**2** And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

**3** And I heard a loud voice out of the throne, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will tabernacle with them, and they will be His peoples, and God Himself will be with them and be their God.

**4** And He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and death will be no more, nor will there be sorrow or crying or pain anymore; for the former things have passed away.

**5** And He who sits on the throne said, Behold, Imake all things new. And He said, Write, for these words are faithful and true.

**6** And He said to me, They have come to pass. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give to him who thirsts from the spring of the water of life freely.

**7** He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be God to him, and he will be a son to Me.

**Hymns,** *#956*

**Further Reading:**

*Life-study of Zechariah, msg. 5*

**Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Romans**

**Level 1—Romans Sequential Study**

**Scripture:** *Rom. 1:1-17*

**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Romans, msgs. 31*

**Level 2—Romans Topical Study**

**Crucial Point:** *Man's Tripartite Being Made Life by the Divine Dispensing*

**Scripture:** *Rom. 8:1-39*

**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Romans,* msgs. 60-62; *Crystallization-study of the Epistle to the Romans*, ch. 6

**Supplemental Reading:** *The Normal Christian Life, ch. 10*

**Hymn:** *1193*

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