

# Sermon Guide



## **“Resilient Faith”**

**February 26, 2023**

“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.”

**Matthew 24:29-44**

**In Matthew 24, Jesus challenges His people to “stay awake.” Awake people remain resilient, though we all stumble. Resilient people sowing into the soil of faith over the long haul. RD gave us four types of seeds to sow into the soil of our faith. In what ways do you do these well? In what ways do you want to grow?**

- 1. Grace-** Do you live out a secure identity based on God’s undeserved love and favor?
- 2. Obedience-** do you abide in and heed the teachings of Jesus?
- 3. Holy awareness of ultimate reality-** Do you stay awake to the work of God in the world?
- 4. A hope filled vision of the future-** Do you rejoice in hope for the new world to come?

**(If time permits) Prayer Prompt:** RD prayed, “Come Lord Jesus.” Spend some time in prayer expressing the ways you long for Jesus to restore creation.

**Take Your Next Step of Faith.** As you think through your discussion today, what is one step of faith you can take this week?