

Sermon Guide



“But in the Night”

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“His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’”

“And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

Matthew 25:1-30

This week, Greg challenged us to acknowledge two realities of practicing the way of Jesus: there is no Christianity without obedience, and all of us have seasons where we are not awake to God. He challenges us to make sure we feel ready for the return of Jesus.

- 1. Greg reminded us that no one can live a life of eternal vigilance. As Christians, we must resist hypervigilance and instead embrace “a long obedience in the same direction.”** As you consider that, what do you think it looks like to balance vigilance with rest and renewal?
- 2. Describe a time in your life when you slumbered instead of being alert to God.** What happened, and what woke you up?
- 3. We are reminded that God has “good deeds that He prepared for us...”** How are you currently pursuing the good works prepared for you? If you aren’t pursuing good works, why not?

(If time permits) Prayer Prompt: Ask one another the following question- “what do you need from the Spirit in order to walk in greater obedience?”

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