

# Ready For Jesus' Return (Pt. 2)

Luke 12:41-48

The Church **Ready** for **Jesus' Return** (Part 1)

- Not **Worrying**
- Not **Fearful**
- Not **Greedy**
- Not merely laying up treasure on earth.

**Luke 12:35-40:** "Let your waist be girded (ready for service) and your lamps burning; and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. **Blessed** are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. And if he should come in the second watch (9pm-12am), or come in the third watch (12-3am), and find them so, **blessed** are those servants. But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

## The Church **Ready** for **Jesus' Return** (verses 35-40)

- **Serving**
- **Burning** brightly in the darkness
- **Waiting for our Master's return**
- **Watching** and looking
- **Blessed**
- **Ready:** Are you ready Jesus' return?

**Luke 12:41:** Then Peter said to Him, "Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?"

**Mark 13:37:** And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!

**Luke 12:42-44:** And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has."

## The Church **Ready** for **Jesus' Return** (verses 42-44)

- **Faithful** trustworthy, reliable
- **Wise**
- **Stewards** overseeing ministry
- **Doing when He comes**
- **Blessed:** as we faithfully and wisely serve in the little it leads to more

The Church that is **Not Ready** for **Jesus' Return** (verses 45-48)

**Luke 12:45-48:** But if that servant says in his heart, "**My master is delaying his coming**," and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant who knew his master's will, and did not prepare himself or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few. For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

The Church that is **Not Ready** for **Jesus' Return** (verses 45-48)

- **My Master** is **delaying** in **His coming**
- **Not looking, not aware** of Jesus' return
- **Beat** his fellow servants. (Anger, Abuse)
- **Eating, drinking** and **drunk**

**Galatians 5:19-21:** Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, **drunkenness**, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who **practice** such things will **not** inherit the **kingdom of God**.

The Church that is **Not Ready** for **Jesus' Return** (verses 45-48)

- **His portion** (end) will be with **unbelievers**
- **Knows** but is **not prepared** for Jesus return
- **Knows** but **doesn't do** Jesus' will in His absence
- **Don't know** about **Jesus**, His **will** or **return**
- **Judged** with **unbelievers**: **many** / **few stripes**
- **Don't know** that to whom **much is given**, from him **much will be required**

Are you **ready** for Jesus' Return?

What would you **change**?

Do you **know Jesus**?