

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS - Week of March 23, 2025**  
**"Be Ye Ready"**

**PREPARED**

**Sunday .....Read Matthew 24:42-51**

*"Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."* The next great event on God's calendar is the appearing of Christ in the air to take believers home to heaven. It is commonly referred to as the Rapture of the Church. At that time, all born-again believers, dead and alive, will join Jesus in the air and go to heaven. Since we do not know the date, time, or hour of this happening, it is important to be ready at all times. Being ready means, first and foremost, to have accepted Jesus personally as Savior and then it compels us to conduct ourselves in such a manner as we would want when Jesus appears in the air. We should put into practice I John 2:28: *" And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming."* Expecting that at all times will affect where we go, what we do, and the company we keep.

**ETERNAL HOME**

**Monday .....Read John 14:1-3**

*" And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."* This verse of Scripture gives true born-again believers the assurance they have an eternal home in heaven. Jesus was explaining to His disciples His purpose for leaving earth to return to heaven. His mission for His first appearance on earth with His death and resurrection. He had provided His followers that there would be a resurrection for them. He was now returning to heaven to prepare a place for each and every believer. We, as followers of Jesus, have the assurance of a home in heaven prepared especially for us by our Lord! Let those people who fail to repent of their sins and receive Jesus as Savior miss out on having a place in heaven. Their eternity is in the place of torment because they rejected God's offer of a Divine pardon that comes with the decision to receive Jesus.

**BELIEVERS**

**Tuesday .....Read II Corinthians 5:18-20**

*" And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation."* By faith in Christ on the merits of His blood shed for our remission of sins, believers are restored into a relationship with God. The blood of Jesus cleansed us from sin, enabling us to have daily fellowship with God! God now expects us to share this truth with others that they can have God's forgiveness, if they repent and receive Jesus personally as their Savior. This is a most important Divine assignment! God has placed us on His earth to share that

message of eternal hope with all around us. There is no greater gift in all the world than the gift of eternal life paid for by the blood of Jesus. Winning souls is life's greatest victory.

## JUDGMENT

**Wednesday ..... Read II Corinthians 5:8-12**

*" For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."* This truth about a Divine judgment should affect all people on earth. Praise God that all of us who have accepted Jesus as Savior face a judgment for awards. All those things we have done for God have eternal value and will be rewarded. That anticipation should be a daily incentive. Unbelievers face a judgment for sin which unfortunately is the penalty of eternal death in hell. God wants His people to share that news of His forgiveness with all we can so they will not have to face the judgment of condemnation.

## TEACHING OF JESUS

**Thursday ..... Read Matthew 12:30-36**

*" But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment."* What Jesus is telling us here is to watch what we say, to control our tongues! Not only will we be judged by our actions, but also by our words. That makes every conversation every day very important. What we say in the home has eternal implications, as does our talk when we are in public. That makes the teaching of Psalm 19:14 very important. It says this: *" Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer."*

## DAILY

**Friday ..... Read Psalm 118:20-24**

*" This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."* What a precious thought to start the day every morning! It is good to remind ourselves of God's sovereignty and power. That will bring a sense of joy and peace to get started. No matter what a day will bring, God is in total control. People of faith in God have a huge advantage. There is a lot of trouble in the world which is under the control of Satan. Jesus called Satan the "god of this world" in II Corinthians 4:4: *"In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."*

## PRIORITIES

**Saturday ..... Read Colossians 3:1-2**

" *Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.*" All believers have many earthly tasks and responsibilities, and should give them careful attention and do them well. But our affection and devotion should be to God in heaven. He is watching and wants to use us for His glory. We have interests on earthly things, but our love and devotion are on the things of God. The truth is that if we approach our earthly responsibilities in a way that we want to honor God, even this can bring God glory! His eye is on us, and that is a real motivation to do things right. Nothing escapes God's eye!