**Devotion**

Pleasant View Baptist Church ● Scripture: Matthew 24:42-44

*42 WATCH therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. 43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would not have suffered his house to be broken up. 44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as yet think not the Son of man cometh.*

**Be a light to the world**

Several weeks ago I received a phone call that a home was broken into close by where I live. I have always been cautious around the house. However, ever since I received that telephone call, I found myself being extra cautious. I was grateful to hear this warning from a neighbor. This scripture provides both a warning and a promise for us.

 For non-Christians, the warning has been issued that Jesus is coming back at an unknown hour. Salvation is nothing to delay. We are not guaranteed tomorrow. If you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and personal Savior, then today needs to be the day of Salvation for you. Why not start that personal relationship with Jesus Christ today? For Christians, the warning has been issued as well. We need to be sure that we are living our life to the fullest. We need to be sure that we are spreading the Gospel, witnessing to others, and leading others to Jesus Christ.

 As we take these words as a warning, we can also take these words as a promise. Jesus explained that he is coming back at an unknown hour. As Christians we need to make sure we are watching and ready for his 2nd coming. By watching and being ready for his 2nd coming, it shows that we believe in his Word. It further shows that we are looking forward to his 2nd coming. I look forward to seeing Jesus face to face. It’s going to be a glorious day.

Praying that you have a great day!

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