

## Ready for Jesus' return

Luke 12:39-44

<sup>39</sup> "This, you know: if the master of the house had insight of what hour the thief was coming, he would not have allowed his house be broken into.

<sup>40</sup> You also, be prepared, because, at an hour you do not expect Him, the Son of Man will come."

<sup>41</sup> So, Peter replied, "Lord, are You addressing this parable to us, or to everyone else also?"

<sup>42</sup> And the Lord replied, "Who, then, is the faithful and sensible manager, whom the master promotes for the well-being of his servants to give them their correct portion at the proper time?

<sup>43</sup> Blessed is that servant whose master returns to find him doing this.

<sup>44</sup> Truly I say to you, he will put him in charge of all his possessions.

Luke 12:39-44

### **I prepare my . . . . . because there are things I don't know. 12:39-40**

I prepare for what I . . . . . know. 39-40  
Signs already fulfilled. Luke 21:5-33

I prepare for what I . . . . . know. 40  
Promise. John 14:1-3  
Prophecy. Luke 17:26-30, Mark 13:32

### **I prepare my . . . . . because there are things I can do. 12:41-42a**

I prepare by being personally . . . . . 42  
The Faith Chapter, Hebrews 11

I prepare by being publicly . . . . . 42  
Philippians 4:8-9

### **I prepare my . . . . . because there are things I will achieve. 12:42b-44**

I prepare by . . . . . others. 42  
How others will know. John 13:35

I prepare by . . . . . others. 42  
Grow in... 2 Peter 3:18

## **My prayer priorities for the week beginning Sunday 28 February 2021**

Today Moses, Sharon and the Peniel Ministry in Myanmar

Mon Ian and Eleanor, Hour of Power

Tue Val A; Joan J

Wed Lorraine B; Jim C. On-line Bible Study

Thu Deirdre B; Lyn K

Fri Stuart and Kaye

Sat Clarence and Irene

Sun Sue C and Bill. Lord's Supper

## **Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion**

1. When it comes to holidays, are you a person who prepares weeks in advance, or are you a last-minute person?
2. Read Luke 12:40. If Jesus comes when we don't expect Him, how can we expect Him?
3. It is popular in Christian circles to look for signs of Jesus' return. List some possible advantages of looking for signs. Also list some possible disadvantages of seeking signs.
4. Do you think looking for signs is the best preparation for Jesus' return? If not, suggest alternative preparations we might make.
5. In the beginning of Luke 12:42 what are the two qualities praised by Jesus, and how do they help us prepare for meeting Him?
6. Later in the same verse, what tasks are we to perform, and how do they help us prepare for Jesus' return.

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