

MARCH 13

**“LET IT GO, LOOK UP, AND BE READY.”**

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## **READ**

*Matthew 24:36-44, Luke 21:34-36*

If this is your last day on earth, or if Jesus decides to call His church home, are you ready? It could be minutes or weeks. Jesus said no man knows the day or hour. Time is running out. We've been in a mad dash, and right now the Holy Spirit wants to slow us down and ponder, "Is there anything in my heart that ought not to be there? Do I welcome the return of Jesus or does it make me uneasy?" We have to be ready. You don't have to die without Jesus. You don't have to be lost or left. You can believe in the Lord now, and when you do, He takes your sins away. You won't have to be judged later. You'll be ready. Is there something in your heart that ought not be there? Do you have a rebellious attitude? Do you owe people money and won't pay them? You're not living a secret life, are you? You're not looking at things you shouldn't? Have you allowed something to come into your life that displeases God? We should take heed. Jesus calls out carousing and drunkenness and, right along with it, the cares of this life. It's the same sin — getting our mind off Jesus. Don't be weighed down with what He's already taken care of. Let it go, look up, lift up your head, and be ready for His return.

## **PRAY**

Lord, I need to be watchful and prayerful. You are coming soon. Let me lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily ensnares me, looking to You, the Author and Finisher of my faith.

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