

June 13th-19th

100 Seconds to Midnight

In this lesson you will learn three things to do in preparation for the return of Christ.

Intro: The world outside of Christianity has tried to predict the end of the world for a long time. They have created a Doomsday clock, a symbolic one, that represents a countdown to global catastrophe. A group of scientists have predicted that the world is 100 seconds from midnight. The book of Revelation gives the Church a roadmap of the events on Earth during the end times. God is preparing the Earth for his return. Jesus will soon return to gather the saints from the Earth. What do we do in the meantime?

I. Keep Watching

- A. The greatest currency of 2020 is to pay attention. Focus is the new superpower. It costs you something to give your attention. We need to take a balanced approach to end times prophecy of faith & patience. The beauty of both brings wisdom. Patience allows us to accept delay & suffering without getting angry or upset. Faith allows us to have a confident expectation of the future. Through faith & patience we see promises fulfilled (Heb 6:12).

II. Keep Praying

- A. Stay in a continual mode of prayer. Be in constant communication with the Father. Ask for God's eyes, ears, heart, and His response in every situation you face. Prayer is a two-way street. Make sure to take time to listen to God's responses during your prayer time. Give him your attention and focus so that you can recognize when he speaks directly to you and your situation. As we incline our ears to His voice, we will hear (Isa 55:3).

III. Keep being Faithful

- A. Stay in a place of repentance and humility as you grow in your Christian walk. Stay focused and don't quit because you're going to make it. There is nothing that we go through that can compare to the rewards and satisfaction of spending eternity with God. Jesus went to the cross and became obedient to the point of death. He was able to stay faithful because He focused on the joy set before Him instead of the suffering (Heb 12:2).

Discussion Questions

1. Do you passively or actively focus on the second coming of Christ?
2. Is your prayer time consumed with requests or thanksgiving to God?
3. Who or what has God called you to be faithful to?