

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus: Staying Awake

Mark 13:32-37

Discussion Questions

The Essentials

- 1) Why didn't Jesus know when He was coming back?
- 2) Read Revelation 16:15: "Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!" How does Jesus describe his return? Why do you think he uses this analogy?
- 3) What does it mean that people might be 'sleeping' when Jesus returns?
- 4) Practically speaking, how might we 'stay awake'?

Going Deeper

- 5) Read Revelation 16:15: "Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, *keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!*" Spiritually speaking, what does the highlighted part of the verse mean?
- 6) How might having a prayer mindset keep us awake, ready for Jesus' return?
- 7) What has God called you to do? Are you being faithful in this?

Memory Verse: "Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come". Mark 32:33

Prayer Point: Please pray that God would raise up godly leaders in our church.