

Reading The Clock

DAY:

Monday

TITLE:

The Clock Is Ticking -- And That's Good News

KEY VERSE:

Matthew 24:33 -- "So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, right at the door."

REFLECTION:

I want you to understand something that I carry in my heart every single day -- we are living in the season of Jesus' return. When I look at the headlines, when I see the lawlessness increasing around us, when I watch nations rise against nations, I don't despair. I look up. Jesus told us we wouldn't know the exact hour or the day, but He absolutely said we could know the season. And friends, the season is now. In 1948, when Israel became a nation, God set a prophetic clock in motion. Every sign Jesus described in Matthew 24 is unfolding right before our eyes. This isn't meant to frighten you -- it's meant to wake you up and fill you with holy anticipation. The King is coming. The Creator of heaven and earth is returning. That changes everything about how I live today.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, thank You that Your return isn't a mystery to those who read Your Word. Open my eyes to the season we're living in, and let that reality ignite fresh purpose in my heart today. Come quickly, Lord. Amen.

DAILY ACTION:

Read Matthew 24:1-14 slowly today and write down one sign that you personally see unfolding in the world right now.

DAY:

Tuesday

TITLE:

The Great Exchange -- A Brand New Body Is Coming

KEY VERSE:

1 Corinthians 15:53 -- "For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality."

REFLECTION:

I love this passage so much because it reminds me that God isn't finished with us yet -- not even close. Yes, our spirits are saved. Yes, our souls are being renewed by the Word of God. But there is a divine exchange still coming that will complete everything Jesus purchased for us. This body of yours -- the one that gets tired, the one that aches, the one that carries the marks of a fallen world -- is going to be traded in for something glorious. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, everything changes. Death doesn't get the last word. The grave doesn't win. I love how Paul shouts it out: "O death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" That greatest victory is still ahead of us, and I want you to walk through this day with that joy

bubbling up inside you.

PRAYER:

Father, thank You that my best days aren't behind me -- they are gloriously ahead of me. Help me to live today with the confidence that You have promised me a resurrection, a new body, and eternal life. I praise You for that hope. Amen.

DAILY ACTION:

The next time your body feels tired or worn today, whisper out loud: "This is temporary -- my best is still coming." Let that truth shift your perspective.

DAY:

Wednesday

TITLE:

Don't Be Shaken -- He Is Still In Control

KEY VERSE:

2 Thessalonians 2:2 -- "That you not be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come."

REFLECTION:

I find it fascinating that Paul had to write a second letter to Thessalonica because they were still anxious and confused about the end times. And honestly? I understand that. When you look at the world around us -- the deception, the moral collapse, the lawlessness that is increasing every single day -- it is easy to feel rattled. But I want to say to you what Paul said to them: don't be shaken. There is a mystery of lawlessness at work, yes. Satan has a plan, yes. But here's what I know -- God's plan is bigger, older, and infinitely more powerful. The lawlessness we see isn't catching God off guard. It's actually confirming that His Word is true and His timeline is right on track. You don't need to fear what you can see when you trust the One who sees everything.

PRAYER:

Lord, when the noise of this world tries to shake my mind, anchor me in Your Word and Your promises. I choose to trust Your sovereignty today over every headline and every fear. You are in control. Amen.

DAILY ACTION:

Identify one news story or situation that has been causing you anxiety this week. Write it down, then write this over it: "God is not surprised. His Word still stands."

DAY:

Thursday

TITLE:

The Mercy That Never Stops Reaching

KEY VERSE:

Revelation 22:17 -- "And the Spirit and the bride say, 'Come!' And let him who hears say, 'Come!' And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely."

REFLECTION:

One of the things that moves me most when I study the end times is the relentless mercy of God. Even in the worst season this world will ever experience -- the great tribulation -- God doesn't stop reaching for people. He raises up 144,000 Jewish evangelists. He sends two witnesses to preach in the streets of Jerusalem. He even looses angels to fly around the entire earth, preaching the gospel and warning people not to take the mark of the beast. That is the heart of God on full display. He doesn't want anyone to end up in the lake of fire. Not a single soul. His final invitation in all of Scripture is still "Come." He is still saying it today. And if He is that relentless in His mercy during the most terrible days the earth will ever see, imagine how He feels about you right now, today, in this moment.

PRAYER:

Jesus, Your mercy absolutely overwhelms me. Thank You for never stopping Your pursuit of people -- including me. Give me that same relentless heart for someone in my life who doesn't yet know You. Amen.

DAILY ACTION:

Think of one person in your life who doesn't know Jesus. Pray specifically for them by name today, and ask God to give you one natural opportunity to show them His love this week.

DAY:

Friday

TITLE:

He Is Coming On A White Horse -- And We Win

KEY VERSE:

Revelation 19:11 -- "Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war."

REFLECTION:

I want to close this week by lifting your eyes all the way up. When I read Revelation 19, my spirit leaps. Every scheme of the enemy, every global agenda, every act of lawlessness, every lie spoken against the people of God -- it all gets answered by one image: Jesus riding a white horse, His name Faithful and True, His robe dipped in His own blood, coming to redeem this earth from every curse. I don't care how powerful the enemy looks right now. I don't care how loud the voices of darkness seem. Jesus wins. Completely. Totally. Gloriously. And because He wins, I win. Because He wins, you win. We serve the living Christ, and His victory is not in question. So walk into your weekend with your head high and your faith strong. The King is coming, and His name is Faithful and True.

PRAYER:

Lord Jesus, You are Faithful and True -- in my life, in history, and in the age to come. I declare today that I am on the winning side, and I will live like it. Come quickly, King Jesus. Amen.

DAILY ACTION:

Share one specific reason you are grateful that Jesus is coming again with a friend, family member, or fellow believer today -- in person, by text, or however you can reach them.