



# **ABUNDANT RAIN EMPOWERMENT CHURCH**

**Series: Ready, Set, Go! - Be Ready (Prepare)!**

**Scripture Reference: Matthew 24:44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as you think not the Son of man cometh.**

To be ready means to be completely prepared or in fit condition for immediate action or use. It also means being fully equipped, completed, adjusted or arranged as for an occasion or purpose.

Jesus left this earth with a promise that He would return again for His people. While it is so much easier to get ready for a specific appointment, no man knows the day or hour when our Lord will return. This challenges every believer to Be Ready at all times. We can not get caught up in the things of this world and forget that Jesus is coming soon.

The Bible gives insight on some things we will face and how we can Be Ready. Preparation is never wasted time.

1. People questioning your faith (1 Peter 3:15) : **An Answer**
2. Dry Seasons in your finances (Proverbs 6:6-11): **Savings**
3. Danger/Disasters (Proverbs 27:12): **Precautions**
4. Worshipping God (Psalm 100:4): **Thanksgiving & Praise**
5. Spiritual Warfare (Ephesians 6:10-18): **Armor of God**

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# BE READY (PREPARE)!

**Strategy: How to be ready for the Return of Jesus Christ!**

1. Keep it on your mind (Matthew 24:44)
2. Examine yourself (2 Corinthians 13:5)
3. Purify yourself daily (1 John 3:2-3)
4. Be Alert and Prayerful (Mark 13:32-37)

## **Challenge:**

- Identify the People, Places and Things that are causing spots and wrinkles in your garments. (Ephesians 5:25-27)
- Examine your life right now. If Jesus was to return today, would you be ready?
- Make a commitment to do whatever it takes to be ready for the return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ

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