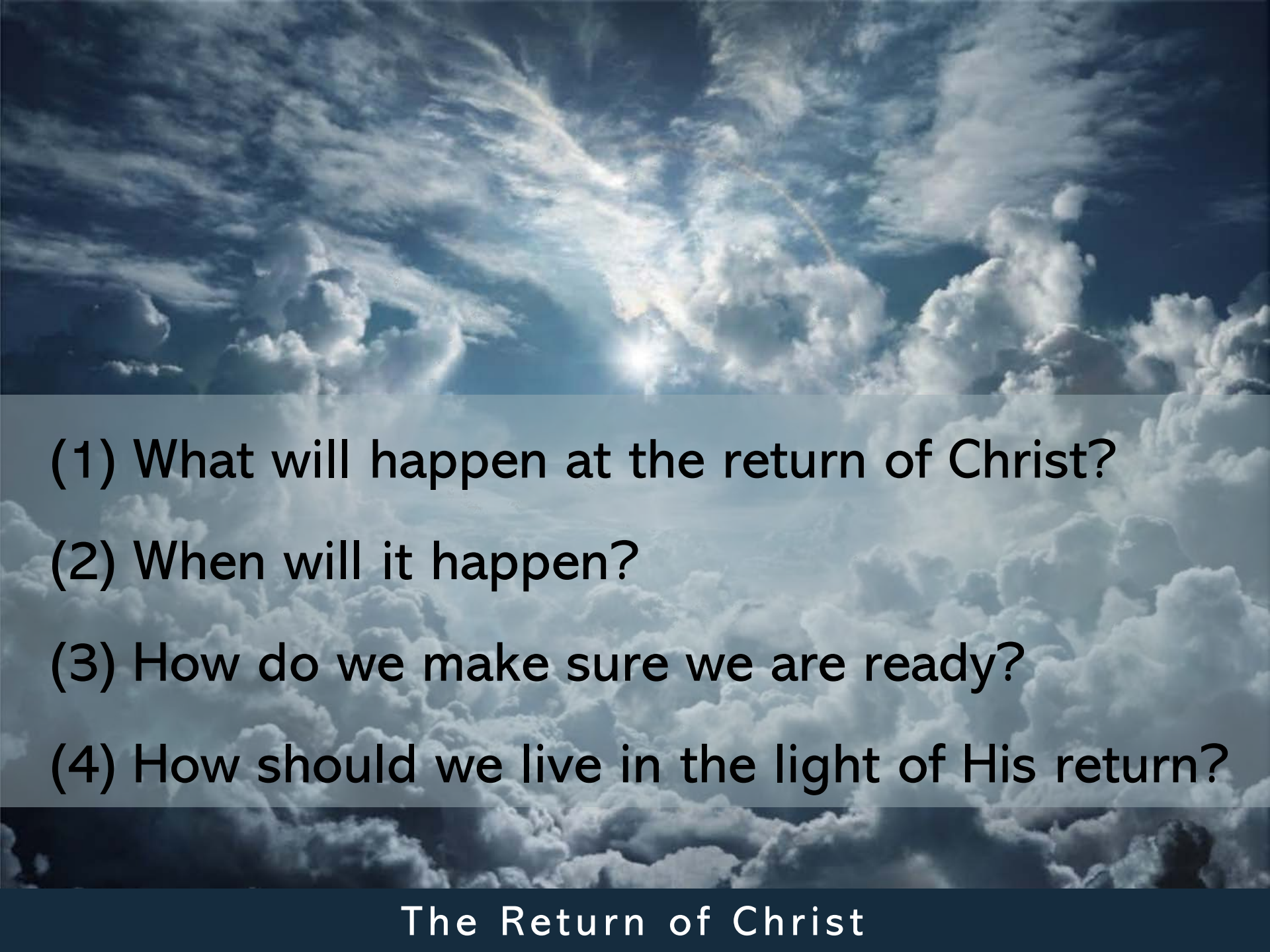




# The Return of Christ



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Matt. 24:36-51 <sup>36</sup> “But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup> As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup> For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; <sup>39</sup> and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

Matt. 24:36-51 <sup>40</sup> Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. <sup>41</sup> Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. <sup>42</sup> “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. <sup>43</sup> But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into.

Matt. 24:36-51 <sup>44</sup> So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him. <sup>45</sup> “Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time? <sup>46</sup> It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns. <sup>47</sup> Truly I tell you, he will put him in charge of all his possessions. <sup>48</sup> But suppose that servant is wicked and says to himself, ‘My master is staying away a long time,’

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Matt. 24:36-51 <sup>49</sup> and he then begins to beat his fellow servants and to eat and drink with drunkards. <sup>50</sup> The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. <sup>51</sup> He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matt. 25:1-13 “At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish and five were wise. <sup>3</sup> The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. <sup>4</sup> The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. <sup>5</sup> The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep. <sup>6</sup> “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!’”

**Matt. 25:1-13** <sup>7</sup> “Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup> The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup> “‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’ <sup>10</sup> “But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. <sup>11</sup> “Later the others also came. ‘Lord, Lord,’ they said, ‘open the door for us!’ <sup>12</sup> “But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.’ <sup>13</sup> “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

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Rev. 19:6-9 <sup>6</sup> Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting:

“Hallelujah!

For our Lord God Almighty reigns.

<sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and be glad  
and give him glory!

For the wedding of the Lamb has come,  
and his bride has made herself ready.

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## Rev. 19:6-9

<sup>8</sup> Fine linen, bright and clean,  
was given her to wear.”

(Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of God’s  
holy people.)

<sup>9</sup> Then the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed  
are those who are invited to the wedding supper  
of the Lamb!” And he added, “These are the true  
words of God.”

# 1. What will happen at the return of Christ?

## Acts 17:31

For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”

# 1. What will happen at the return of Christ?

[Jesus says], all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. – **Matt 24:30**

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## Mal 4:1

“Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire,” says the LORD Almighty. “Not a root or a branch will be left to them.”

# 1. What will happen at the return of Christ?

## 2 Peter 3:10

...The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.

# 1. What will happen at the return of Christ?

Rev. 6:15-17, <sup>15</sup> Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. <sup>16</sup> They called to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! <sup>17</sup> For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?”



# 1. What will happen at the return of Christ?

## Phil 2:10 - 11

<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
<sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



## 2. When will it happen?

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2 Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief....

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Matt. 24:27 – 30. <sup>27</sup> For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> Wherever there is a carcass, there the vultures will gather.

<sup>29</sup> “Immediately after the distress of those days “the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.’ <sup>30</sup> “Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven.

## 2. When will it happen?

### 2 Timothy 4:3-5

<sup>3</sup> For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup> They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.



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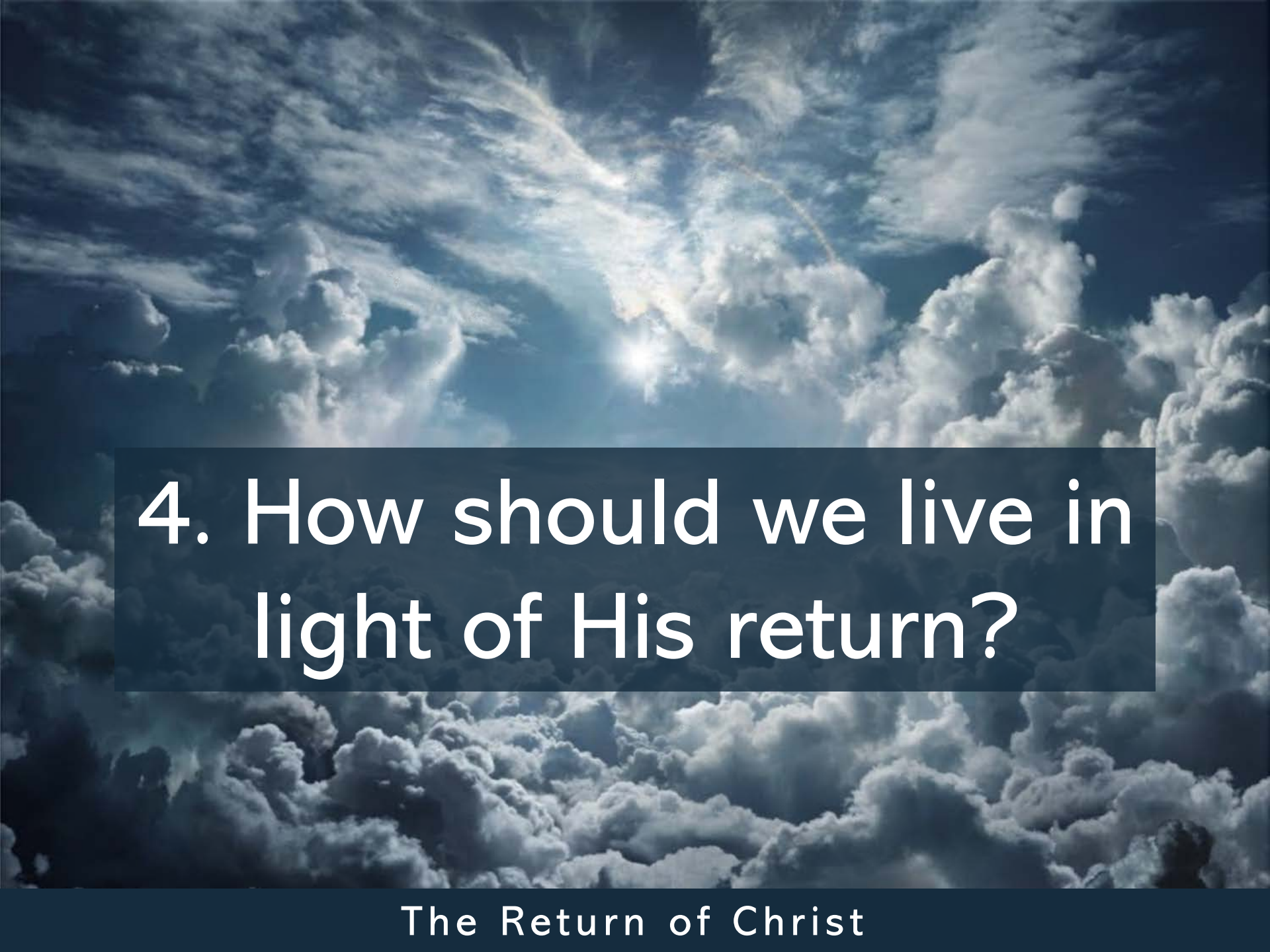
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### 3. How do we make sure we are ready?

#### Hebrews 13:5

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said,

“Never will I leave you;  
never will I forsake you.”



4. How should we live in  
light of His return?

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## 4. How should we live in light of His return?

1. We should walk submissively
2. We should worship triumphantly
3. We should witness urgently
4. We should work fervently
5. We should watch expectantly

[Jesus said,] Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. – Mark 13:33



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