

Dan's Devotion: Is Jesus Coming Back?

It's seems like every direction we turn right now there is some kind of extreme weather or natural disaster. Here in the Midwest, we have flooding everywhere and several communities have been devastated by tornados. In the west, they actually don't have enough rain. In the East the temperatures are extremely hot. Around the world, there has recently been a devastating earthquake in China and an extremely destructive hurricane in Myanmar. It makes me wonder sometimes what is going on? Is God trying to get our attention? Does this mean that the end times are upon us and Jesus could be coming back soon?

It is easy to get caught up thinking about those things, but I tend to lean towards the practical side of Christianity and here is what I think we need to do. Are you ready for this? We need to live everyday as if Jesus is coming back tomorrow. Not too earth shattering, but so very true. Jesus will come back someday. It is going to happen. It may be in our lifetimes and it may not, but we need to make sure we are prepared for that to happen and help those around us to be ready as well.

"Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. I tell you the truth, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the second or third watch of the night. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

Luke 12:35-40

Maybe we need to ask ourselves a few questions as we think about Jesus coming back. Do I put too much focus and energy into things that really aren't that important? Are there people around me that need to know about the love of Jesus? Would I do anything differently if I knew Jesus was coming back tomorrow? Just a few things to think about. In the meantime, it can't rain forever can it? God gave us the rainbow to reassure us about that.

God bless,

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