



Mighty in the Word

*For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness;
But unto us which are saved it is the power of God" (I Cor. 1.18).*

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Watch!

We cannot "watch" Biblically if we do not know the Word of God, and are not able with the Word of God to discern that of the Lord versus of the enemy – even in the "churches" with those standing on the pulpits.

We must pray! Where are the preachers of long ago who spent anywhere from four to eight hours in prayer before ever their day began? (II Chr 7.14)

We must pray, yes. But, hear this! We must be in the Word of God to know Him and His will, His commands for us that are all through the Word of God. People who say they pray and know not the Word of God are those who, I believe, have a "genie" concept of God to whom they give their want list. Our prayer must be for the will of God in Christ Jesus in our lives.

Know who is around you. God said to Israel: You will never see these people again.

How can we "watch" if we are not in the Word of God and praying to Him, seeking His will, listening to the Lord and hearing (*yn·w shâma'* to obey) His voice, walking in obedience to Him with our whole heart.

Today is a day of being aware of the enemy all around us, sending his troops to distract us from the work of the Lord, to distract us from the Word of the Lord, desiring to cause us to listen to him as he endeavors to distract us with minuscule, baby steps, leading us away from the the Lord Jesus Christ.

People have become confused with goodness and godliness. I recall asking a worker at a large *chain* store if he had repented of his sins and asked Jesus Christ to be his Lord and Savior. His answer was, I don't need Jesus as I have a good life, my children are good children; I am proud of them. My marriage is good.

Oh, how many "church-goers" have the same answer. They are so proud of themselves because they believe themselves to be "self-made," and need no one to help them. It seems they see themselves as having been born, then they just did things right from birth, and all fell into place because of everything they have done from birth. They need no one!

Those called of God, to live for the Lord Jesus Christ, those who are led and fed by the Lord Jesus Christ, such as Moses and many others of whom we read in the Word of God, knew they were dependent upon the Lord. They knew it was the Lord God Almighty Who brought them to where they were in their lives. They knew they could not have made it in this life without the Lord. They loved the Lord with their lives.

When Joshua sent out spies to Jericho, he sent spies who understood they had to be on guard, on watch every step of the way. They understood the enemy would take them down at the first opportunity. As they entered Jericho under the care of the Lord, their hearts were attentive to the leading of the Lord, and they were able to reach out in the Name of the Lord to Rahab. She responded to them because of their love for the Lord, and their walking with the Lord. Rahab turned to the spies to respond to them, working with them, walking in obedience and knew she

them, the "churches" (worldly), to walk with them, and one day, maybe, tell them of Jesus Christ. But the question is, how can you introduce them to someone **you** do not know?

However, the first step you took with them, they won you to their religion, and you felt good, a warm fuzzy feeling, no doubt from Satan, to continue walking with them – and now it is said, We are all one, we believe alike, we just use different names for god. Oh, how I have heard this. Did we not hear the different gods prayed to at one *top leader's* -- *installation, shall we call it??*

2Ch 23:6 But let none come into the house of the LORD, save the priests, and they that minister of the Levites; they shall go in, for they *[are]* holy: but all the people shall keep the **watch** of the LORD.

This is significant. **Watch!** How many of us love the Lord Jesus Christ with our lives, and are willing to follow Him, obey Him at any cost, He Who gave His life for us, Who shed His blood on the Cross of Calvary for us that we might have lift for evermore? How many of us preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ with our lives? Do we really love the Lord Jesus Christ? Really? Are we listening to His voice and walking in obedience to Him?

Have you set a watch – against the enemy?

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Come apart and rest (Mark 6.31)

now must set a watch - as the enemy could harm her, would turn her in to the King for turning her life over to the way of the Lord - and endeavoring to protect and do what she could to help the spies.

We read in Nehemiah Four that the children of Israel set a watch because of the adversaries who were opposed to the Lord's people and their way of life (vv 7-15).

But it came to pass, *[that]* when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem were made up, *[and]* that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth, And conspired all of them together to come *[and]* to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it.

Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them.

And Judah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and *[there is]* much rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall. And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come in the midst among them, and slay them, and cause the work to cease.

And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us ten times, From all places whence ye shall return unto us *[they will be upon you]*.

Therefore set I in the lower places behind the wall, *[and]* on the higher places, I even set the people after their families with their swords, their spears, and their bows.

And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, **Be not ye afraid of them: remember the Lord, *[which is]* great and terrible**, and fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses.

And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and **God had brought their counsel to nought**, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his work.

Throughout the Bible, we are told to "Set A Watch."

Set a watch among my people.
Set a watch up in the land,
That My coming be made known,
That My coming is at hand.
Set a watch among My people. dcc

Set a watch in our daily lives; the enemy is always planning to enter where we are, to learn what we are doing, and endeavoring to immulate us, to join us as though one with us – even in our mentioning Jesus. Know that when you hear someone say God or say Jesus, listen carefully, watch – as there are many gods and jesus'. An experience I cannot share with you as it is very sensitive and I need to be careful not to reveal some things. But there are many, many here who will say god, who will say jesus, but the gods they brought with them is like unto them.

Their idols *[are]* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.
They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not:
They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not:
They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat.
They that make them are like unto them; *[so is]* every one that trusteth in them (Ps 115.4-8).

I clarify of Whom I speak when I write or speak. I am careful that people know of Whom I speak: The Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten son of The Lord God Almighty, the God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob, of Israel – by the Holy Spirit. I have heard responses by people who are caught off guard when I say this, *a gasp comes with "Oh, No!"* Yes, I have had this happen.

Oh, set a watch in your heart, in your life, to be aware of those around you who are endeavoring to "play you," to mislead you, to thinking they know the Lord Jesus Christ. This is necessary, and it is necessary that you know the Word of God in Christ Jesus by the Holy Spirit, so you are not drawn into the enemy's territory.

When we are in the enemy's territory, be ready for the warfare. If we are wakling with the Lord, and we find ourselves in the midst of warfare with the enemy, the Lord will fight our battles for us. II Chronicles 20 is a powerful chapter in the Holy Bible. Take time to read the whole chapter, and surrender your battles to the Lord, seeking His strength, His courage in your life..

Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation;

And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, **Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle *[is]* not yours, but God's.**

To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.

Ye shall not *[need]* to fight in this *[battle]*: set yourselves, stand ye *[still]*, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: **fear not, nor be dismayed;** to morrow go out against them: for the LORD *[will be]* with you.

And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with *[his]* face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD.

And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high.

We have let down our guard. We have turned our eyes away from the Lord Jesus Christ and have turned our eyes upon the world. I am concerned that many have made an alliance with the world - and their gods. I see Exodus 32 as alive today as it was in the days of Moses.

Where had the people learned how to do what they did – if not but from another nation(s)? Oh, this is being repeated over and over today as it has at different times in history. I have to ask, Where, Lord, where is Moses today? Where is the one with the voice God uses to speak the truth of God's Holy Word? Whre are those whose hearts are broken because many have turned to those who know not the Lord Jesus Christ? Because many have incorporated other belief systems into the "churches," religion, and few there be who understand that those who have repented of their sins, and have asked the Lord Jesus Christ to cleanse them from all unrighteousness, and have asked Him to come into their lives to live now and forevermore, have not a religion. They have the Lord Jesus Christ in their lives; and endeavor to walk with Him in His righteousness to glorify Him day by day.

Keep the watch of the Lord - i. e. guard against any attempt that might be made by the Baal-worshippers to force their way through the courts into the temple.

We must **watch** to keep enemy away from our worship! Notice I did not write keep away those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for the Lord Jesus Christ. There is a difference.

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Note: Question – The "churches" are inviting and have been for years those of which Psalm 115 speaks.

Matthew 28.19-20, The Great Commission, is to take the *Message* of Jesus Christ to a dying, a lost world. However, it has been rewritten by the "churches" to invite all religions to join