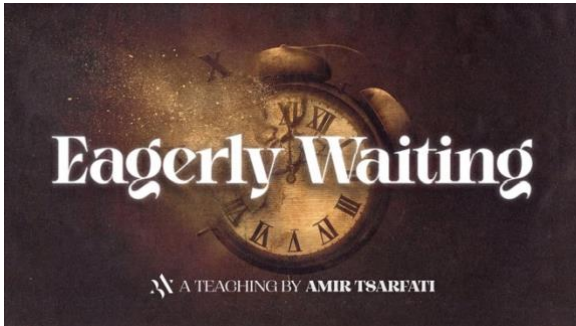


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Eagerly Waiting

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This evening I wanted to share with you a message that God put on my heart for such a time as this. Because I believe that many, many people that call themselves Christians, they are a bit confused about what Christianity is all about. And

they think that because they go to church, they're Christians. Well, try to stand in the parking lot and see if you turn into a car. [Audience: Laughter] The thing is that Jesus was very clear about what you should be if you call yourself a follower of Him. But that's not the only thing. One of the things that always literally shocked me when I read in Scripture is not just the fact that you say that you know Him, or you love Him but the very mere fact that He wants to find you eagerly waiting for Him. The Bible says in **Hebrews 9:27–28**: **“²⁷ And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, ²⁸ so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many....”** And look at this now, **“²⁸ ...To those...”** Let's read together: **“²⁸ ...To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.”**

Do you understand what we just said? There's a group of people to which Jesus will come back, but not descend on Mount of Olives for, but He will *appear*, which is in the clouds. It's a different story. And to them, and them only, He will appear a second time. What for? To save them from their sins? No, He already came to save us from our sins. It's for the salvation, as of Romans 8, salvation of the body. Look at you. Look at yourself right now. Pathetic. Most of us here reach



the point where we stop admiring what we see when we look at the mirror, and it's a free fall. [Audience: Laughter] If you put a photo of you [next to your face] from 20 years ago, you can tell you're dying. This is a tent; it's not a building. This is a sinful body that cannot and will not enter the kingdom of God. And in order for us to change, He needs to come and appear in the clouds. And for that, He's going to come. And it is to those who eagerly wait for Him.

Father, we thank You for Your Word, for Your promises, for the way You want to find us when Jesus returns to take us to be with Him. We ask that this evening, You will speak to Your people, and that You will open the eyes of our hearts to understand and behold the wonders of Your Word. And we ask this in the name of the Word of God, in the name of Yeshua. And all of God's people say, "Amen."

So, **Isaiah 46:9–10 (ESV)** says, **"9 '... remember the former things of old, for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, 10 declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, "My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish my purpose,""** So even when the Canadian prime minister says that Canada will recognize a Palestinian state, which he did a few hours ago, [Audience voices displeasure] listen to this: You can't mock God, but also listen to this. God says, "I will do all My pleasure." God is not taken by a surprise. He was not taken by a surprise when little Macron was beaten up by his—was, uh, declaring, excuse me, declaring that he's about to declare that there is a Palestinian state. He was not surprised when the British prime minister said that yesterday. And He's not surprised when the Canadian prime minister said that today. I believe that just as God hardened the heart of Pharaoh and great things came out of it, I believe that all these foolish prime ministers, they don't understand that God is laughing because what is it that they're doing? They

are causing Hamas to be so euphoric right now that it actually dismisses every offer for a ceasefire. And by doing so, it is bringing its own demise.

Israel, by the way, decided a few—Yeah. Listen, I’m not bothered. I’m actually smiling when I see all of these things because these are fools. They call evil good, good evil, light darkness. They call light darkness and darkness light. I mean, these are foolish people. And they really, truly believe that by doing that, they are advancing something, but all they advance is God’s perfect plan. And they don’t even know that.

But I will tell you that Jesus is serious about finding us waiting for Him. As Peter said in **1 Peter 4:7**, “⁷ **But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.**” Now, I want to tell you something; you may not know this but more Muslims believe that we live in the end times than Christians. Do you know that? I want to tell you that actually more people from *other* religions, not just Islam, believe that these are the last days. Whereas those who should know, have the Scriptures, who know that God declares the end from the beginning, they’re all asleep. October 7th was part of the interest of Islam in the end times; I don’t know if you know that. It wasn’t just a terror attack; it was far away from that. It was the beginning of the implementation of their attempt to bring about the reappearance of the Mahdi, their messiah, by shedding as much blood of Jewish people, creating chaos and thus ushering his appearance. This is not a coincidence. They believe that they live in the end times. They actually take it very seriously to the point that it is a call for action for them.

I don’t know if you know, but six months before October 7th, I posted—six months, you can go back and check—I was reading, I was talking to the right people, I was listening to the right people, I was reading reports of some people and I found out, six months before, that the Iranians were having a grand plan of a multi-front attack on Israel. And the goal was obviously ultimately

to destroy Israel, but it's not about destroying Israel. It's not like the Iranians need more land. They're 1,500 kilometers away from us. They don't need our land. It's the idea that this is the end. And their goal in that multi-front—and I posted that six months earlier—is to overwhelm Israel's defenses, capture settlements for surrender, and of course, take as many hostages as possible. Iranian plan. They were supposed to use Hezbollah and Hamas—there's Hamas in Lebanon—for thousands of missiles, UAVs, and precision-guided missiles also. They were supposed to use people in Syria, where 17 militias, such as Liwa, Fatemiyoun, Zainabiyoun, and others, with many missiles and UAVs. And then they also were supposed to use Hamas in Gaza, Hamas, and Islamic Jihad. But Hamas had only a small part. Why? Because Iran is the mother of Shia Islam. They're only 15%, but they believe they are the right way, whereas everybody else is the wrong. And they believe that it's their job to bring about the end, to usher the appearance of the Mahdi. They believe that only then the Mahdi himself will tell the rest of the Muslims that the Shia is the right way. So, in a way, if you really think about it, Gaza had a small part. And it's interesting because Hamas is not even Shia. These are not Shiites. Who are they? Sunnis. They belong to the 85% of the Muslims that don't agree with the 15% of the others. So, Hamas said, "Oh, thank you for funding, for buying us rockets and missiles. Thank you for the money and the training and all of that. But... we? We are supposed to usher the coming of a Shia messiah that should tell me that I am a sinner or an infidel?" Hmm.

It's very interesting because the plan was very detailed. First of all, it was supposed to be in phases, aerial barrage of missiles, a massive attack from Lebanon, Syria, Gaza, to exhaust Israel's Iron Dome in two, three hours. Then a cyber-attack on Israeli infrastructure such as electricity, communication, and water to cause chaos. And then ground invasion forces from Lebanon and Syria and Gaza invade with vehicles, anti-tank weapons, and seizing settlements in

Israeli towns and cities. And chaos, exploitation, delaying Israel reserve mobilization, expect a collapse of regular forces like in 1973 Yom Kippur War. And of course, the tactic is very simple. “Don’t call it a war about land. Call it a war about religion.” Use Al-Aqsa Mosque as a pretext for the attack. Call it the Al-Aqsa Flood. Don’t call it “liberating Palestine.” It’s not about that. Palestinian and Arab actions to block roads and damage bridges, attack settlements, and of course, social media to amplify panic and demoralize the Israeli public. Aerial attack on day one, cyber-attack on day one, ground invasion on day two, a chaos and surrender push at the very end. It’s very interesting.

Now, why do I say all of this? I say all of this because millions of people around the world truly believe that they live in the end times, truly take it seriously, that they need to do something about it, that they have a role in it. And it’s interesting because when it came to Hamas, Hamas said, “Oh, we need to do something about it also.” The person who built all the infrastructure of the Iranians all around was General Qasem Soleimani, the one that President Trump ordered his assassination in January of 2020. He was the head of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards, Quds Force, that its whole aspect is to export the Shia revolution, Islamic revolution, all the way outside. But the contractor that was supposed to do the dirty job for them was none other but Yahya Sinwar, the leader of Hamas and the chairman of the Hamas political bureau at that time. And he said to himself, “Why should I, as the one that represents 85% of the Muslims, should give on a silver platter the glory and the victory to the ones that are representing only 15%?” And that is exactly, ladies and gentlemen, what happened on October 7th. See, the Iranians, they created this ring of fire that attacks Israel. I mean, look at the long arms of this octopus in Syria, in Lebanon, in Iraq, in Gaza and in Yemen. They wanted to make sure it’s going to happen. They wanted to make sure Israel will never be able to survive. They wanted to make sure that this is going to happen. But

someone decided it's not going to happen. And the funny thing is, Yahya Sinwar jumped the gun too fast because he wanted to get the glory for the Sunnis. And thus, Iran was embarrassed. Hezbollah was taken by surprise. The militias in Iraq and Syria were taken by surprise. And they all failed. Because God is on the throne. [Audience: Applause]

A few weeks ago, I was watching on YouTube a Muslim that came to visit, a leader, prominent leader, came to visit London. And the host showed him London, and they said, "Just so you know, we're only 10-15% of the city, but we're going to take over eventually." Then he took the camera, put it on himself and said, "Look, I'm here to see nice sights, but really, what I'm here for is tonight's end times conference." He came to hold a conference about the end times. It's already after October 7th. It's the end of 2024, and they're already, they believe they're deep into this. And I'm thinking to myself, how sad it is that Muslims fill so many more stadiums and auditoriums speaking about the end times, spreading false theologies, when Christians who know the Bible, know the heart of God, know the plan of God, and understand or at least read that God wants us to be ready, they are the ones that are asleep. How embarrassing it is. We don't see enough Christian leaders coming to London and saying, "See you tonight at this huge arena. Let's talk about the end times." It's not happening in London. In fact, it's not happening anywhere in Europe.

And yet, we know that the Bible says that He will come the second time to those who eagerly wait for Him. Now, what is it to be eager? I mean, we see that you can be eager for many things. First of all, to be eager, you can be eager for wrong things. **1 Timothy 6:10 [NIV]** says, **"¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs."** You can actually be so eager, but you must finish the work. **2 Corinthians 8:11 [NIV]** says, **"¹¹ Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to**

your means.” And of course, you should also be eager for the good things. **Titus 2:14 [NIV]** says that Jesus ^{“14} **...gave Himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for Himself a people that are His very own, eager to do what is good.”** To do what is good is not leading you to salvation, but it’s the fruit of your salvation. And that is important. One of the things that is a way to measure if you are saved is what is it that is in you? Do you have this eagerness to do good things? Or all you do all day long is eager to do bad things? I mean, a serial killer comes to Christ, and he wakes up in the morning, what should he be eager to do? Kill more? You understand that that is gone already. He’s a new creation. **Romans 1:15 [NIV]** says, ^{“15} **That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel...”** Paul was eager to preach the gospel to you who are in Rome. He was eager. He couldn’t wait. And by the way, it’s a city he was wishing to come and see, and he had never been—When he wrote to the Romans, he wrote to a church he’s never been to. He didn’t know anyone there. Not a single verse in the book of Romans is a personal greeting to anyone. It’s interesting. That’s why it’s the Magna Carta. He’s writing the whole manifest of our faith to people that live in the capital of the empire whom he never met. **1 Peter 5:2 [NIV]** says, ^{“2} **Be shepherds of God’s flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve;...”** That’s a qualification of a shepherd. Eager to serve.

And it seems like the whole world is moving towards escalation and anticipation for something big. We’re coming to the point where every Christian will have to either eagerly wait for Jesus or completely lack interest. Which makes me wonder if it’s just Christian by name. Believers who don’t eagerly wait now will face two choices: joining the world or surrendering to Jesus. And it’s around the corner. Eagerly waiting is an indication for your walk with Him in the last days. And this is why it is super important for us to have this prioritization in our lives today.

It's very important. **2 Timothy 4:7-8** says, **"⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing."** Paul knew it's the end of the race for him. And he knew it's a race and it's a fight and it's something you have to keep. He knew. It's not a stroll in the park. It's not easy to be a believer. In fact, it's the opposite. **"³³ ...In the world..."** Jesus said, **"³³ ...you will have tribulation;..." [John 16:33]** But the interesting thing is that Paul says, "I am going maybe to meet with the Lord soon, but the crowns and the rewards will wait until every person who loves the appearing of Jesus, who eagerly waits for Him, will join us on that day, and then we will all receive it together." Isn't that beautiful? **Hebrews 6:10-12** says, **"¹⁰ For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister. ¹¹ And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, ¹² that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises."**

Faith, patience, but eagerly waiting. He wants you to be ready for that. It's quite embarrassing that other people are more eager and are waiting more eagerly for these last days events than those who know exactly what is going to happen. Now we understand what eager means, but what is to wait according to the Bible? Because that's the hard part. That's the part we wish to skip. Nobody likes to wait. Especially if you're an Israeli. You guys stand in line for everything. We are the only country on planet Earth that invented elbow cream because we use them often. [Makes poking with elbow motion] Abraham waited 25 years before the fulfillment of God's promise to have a son came to pass. 25 years, not at a young age. That's quite amazing, isn't it? **[Genesis 21:1-3] "¹ And the LORD visited Sarah as He had said, and the LORD did for**

Sarah as He had spoken.” As He had said, as He had spoken, for God “yes” is a “yes”, even if it doesn’t match our timetable. **“² For Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.”** At the set time. In other words, Abraham was impatient. God kept the set time exactly at the right time that He had promised. **“³ And Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him—whom Sarah bore to him—Isaac.”** The son of promise. That’s what the Bible says. Joseph waited 13 years to be released, though he was innocent. He waited and waited and waited. **[Genesis 41:46] “⁴⁶ Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.”** At that time.

If that’s not enough. Moses navigated through the wilderness for how many years? Look, Israeli guys, Jewish guys, we don’t like to ask for directions. I don’t know why. And that’s why the app Waze was invented by Israelis. Because the guys tell each other what’s going on. But he was dealing with a rebellious congregation throughout the desert. And he waited 40 years from the moment he left Egypt all the way with them to the fact that he saw them about to enter into the land. **Hebrews 3:8–11** says, **“⁸ ‘... do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, in the day of trial in the wilderness, ⁹ where your fathers tested Me, tried Me, and saw My works forty years. ¹⁰ Therefore I was angry with that generation, and said, “They always go astray in their heart, and they have not known My ways.” ¹¹ So I swore in My wrath, “They shall not enter My rest.””**”

David was anointed to be king already 15 years before he was actually becoming one. And those 15 years were not easy. He was persecuted not just by the enemies of Israel, but also by the king of Israel, who later was also his own father-in-law. And I don’t know why the Jews have a mother-in-law issue. Yeah, Jewish men, we have two sites where we love to take our mothers-in-

law for picnics. One is the sinkholes by the Dead Sea. And the other one is the minefields in the Golan Heights. [Laughter] Paul experienced two years in house arrest. Two years for someone who wants to preach the gospel, it's so long. But in those two years, he wrote so many epistles. He could not stay and do nothing. **Acts 28:30** says, **“³⁰ Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him,...”**

So, what and whom are we waiting for? It's very important. See, before the Holy Spirit came, only a few could understand God's timing. Only a few. The Holy Spirit is something that many Christians don't really truly understand. In the Old Testament, no one had the Holy Spirit in him that made him the temple of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit of God would come upon someone and will depart if that someone is not walking with the Lord. We know that from King Saul. And even King David himself, when he was rebuked for his sin, when Nathan came to him, he said, “Lord, take not Your Holy Spirit from me.” But thankfully, not a prayer that a true believer should pray. Because the Bible tells us something else about us. But in Israel, there was a group of people, **“³²... the sons of Issachar who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do,...”** And that's from **1 Chronicles 12**, the first part of **verse 32**. So, God always kept someone to tell others the plans of God. He never kept His people in the dark. **Daniel 9:23**, says that **“²³ ‘At the beginning...’”** remember, He is sending Gabriel to fly very fast while Daniel is praying. And he says, **“²³ ‘At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell you, for you are greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision:...’”** God is telling Gabriel to go to Daniel and tell him exactly what is going to happen to the nation of Israel, to the city of Jerusalem, in the entire future. In fact, Israel is the only nation on planet Earth that we know exactly what's going to happen to it as a nation. Do you know what's going to happen to Canada as a nation? You don't. What's going to happen to America? You don't.

What's going to happen to France? You don't. What's going to happen to the UK? What's going to happen to Norway? We don't. Because around the world there are remnants. God is saving individuals. The only nation on planet Earth that right now experiences these remnants that are turning to Christ but at the very end there will be a *national* salvation is the nation of Israel. I can tell you right now what's going to happen to my nation, to my country, and my city Jerusalem where I was born. I can tell you all of that. I can tell you what's going to happen in the next at least one thousand seven years. Because if the rapture takes place right now and there're seven years tribulation, a thousand-year millennial kingdom, that's it. We know. **Amos 3:7** says, **"Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets."** And **1 Peter 1:10** says, regarding them, he says, **"Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched..."** the prophets of the Old Testament. They never met Jesus. They never saw Jesus. They never saw a church. They don't even know what the church is. But they know one thing: Our Redeemer lives. They know one thing: God is on the throne. They know one thing: God is in the business of saving people. They know one thing: The only way for God to save the world is through the Messiah. And they themselves wrote about the Messiah. It is Isaiah that led me to the Lord as he wrote about the atoning death of the Messiah, burial, and also about His resurrection. Not to mention His sinless life. Even we know where He was supposed to be born. All of that is in the prophets. And that's why Peter says, **1 Peter 1:10-12** **"Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace that would come to you,..."** It's not for them. They were still there before. **"...searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. ¹² To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through**

those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things which angels desire to look into.” Unbelievable. [Audience: Applause]

The Holy Spirit is not just comforting us, but the Holy Spirit is giving us the ability to rightly divide the Scriptures and understand the times and the seasons when we have Him. People send me videos of rabbis that said this and rabbis that said that. I’m not watching it. Why do you think I should watch someone who I know doesn’t have the Holy Spirit? What good can he give me when I have the Holy Spirit in me and He can show me truly what is going to happen? The Spirit of God is in me. He’s in you. Listen, the Spirit of God will never ever tell you to find the truth elsewhere, but only in Scriptures. So, you don’t have to watch extra things. [Audience: Applause] And every time someone comes up with a new theory that is not in the Bible, [Noise: “beep”] you know exactly, it’s not from God. **1 Thessalonians 5:1–2** says, **“¹ ...concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you.”** Paul is telling a church in northern Greece in Thessaloniki, he says, “Look: (a) you have the Bible, the Old Testament; (b) you have the Holy Spirit. I don’t need to write to you. The times and the seasons, I really don’t need to. Not only that I don’t need to write to you.” **“² For you yourselves know perfectly...”** he says, The Holy Spirit revealed that to you. If you have the Holy Spirit and you read the Bible and you pray and you communicate with Him, you should know. **“² For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. ³ For when they say, ‘Peace and safety!’ then sudden destruction comes upon them,...**” He’s giving them a whole recipe of what’s going to happen, but it’s all based on something that they should *already know* if they truly have the Holy Spirit in them and they truly stick to the Word of God. It’s not rocket science here.

Hebrews 10:32 says, ³² **But recall the former days in which, after you were illuminated,...**” We were in the dark before the Holy Spirit came. We could... so many people, even today, you show them something, they don’t see it. That the Holy Spirit comes, flash! the flashlight is on; boom! You’re illuminated. Really interesting. Boom! You see everything and you read more and more and more and more. You endured a great struggle with suffering. It’s not a stroll in the park. But you, after you were illuminated, you endured all of these things. And you know the enemy is so tricky and he’s so evil and he’s so sleazy. And he saw, “Wow, illuminated. Wow, people have the light. Oh, I know what to do.” And then the angel, Satan, is disguising to be what? An angel of light. And one of the founders of the Freemasons in their new version, because the Freemasons started as a building guild, not as any bad cult. But then in the early 1800s, they were injected with this satanic ritual. And the founding father, Albert Pike, who wrote in his book, *Morals and Dogma*, page 321. Look what he writes [points to a screen]. And you know how many people are reading those books? Millions. He says, “LUCIFER, the Light-bearer! Strange and mysterious name to give to the Spirit of Darkness! Lucifer, the Son of the Morning! Is it he who bears the Light? Doubt it not!” That’s what the enemy does. He’s telling you, “You want to be illuminated? I know what the light is. I know who bears the light. I know who can show you the true light.” He’s using the same terminology even to confuse.

Now Jesus told the disciples to wait. Waiting is important. He said, “Wait here.” **Acts 1:4-8: “⁴ And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father,...**” “Wait here,” He said. It was a short time between His departure and the arrival of the other One that He’s going to send. And He says, “Wait here.” ⁴ ... **‘you have heard from Me; ⁵ for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.’ ⁶ Therefore, when they had**

come together, they asked Him, saying, ‘Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?’ ⁷ And He said to them...” Guys, you’re not even a church yet. “⁷ **‘It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.’**” He said, “At this moment, what you need to do is this: You need to wait here, receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be what? “⁸ **‘...witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.’**”

What He’s basically saying is this: Waiting upon the Lord, knowing and understanding the times and the seasons, it’s only effective when you’re actually not sitting and doing nothing. What you need to do is be about the Father’s business. It’s not sitting there and [counting] sheep, not be in your mother’s basement, drink energy drinks, and be on YouTube watching conspiracy theories and watching Tucker and Candace. [Laughter] Stay away! Jesus told the disciples that He had to go, and He promised to gather us. He promised to—and then He said to them **[John 14:1-4]**, “¹ **‘Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you....’**” He’s announcing His departure and the reason for that departure. “I’m leaving to prepare a place for you.” Where? Up there. In other words, we need to go up there. In other words, He’s not establishing first a kingdom here and we don’t need to prepare this world for Him to come. We need to prepare ourselves to be gone to be where He is. Do you understand that? [Audience: Applause] He promised to gather us together with Him. He says, “³ ... **‘if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again...’**” And the word: “³ ... **‘receive you to Myself;...’**” Take you up. “³ ... **‘that where I am,’**” Not where you are. “³ ... **‘where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And where I go you know, and the way you know.’**” That’s why it’s so important that you understand that when we talk about being eagerly waiting, when we talk about that, what is it that we are eagerly

waiting for? That is exactly why Paul had to write to the same church in Thessaloniki. He said, [1 **Thessalonians 4:16–17**] **“¹⁶ The Lord Himself will descend from heaven...”** Jesus will descend. It’s not an angel; it’s not any messenger. The Lord Himself for the grand finale is not going to send anyone else. It’s not Daniel praying, and He needs to tell him something so He’s sending Gabriel to fly as fast as he can. No, this is **“¹⁶ For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive and remain shall be...”** What? **“¹⁷ ...caught up...”** harpazo, rapturo, rapture, call it whatever you want. “I don’t see the word rapture in the Bible.” Then, it’s your problem. Don’t call it rapture, okay? Caught up, okay? You will **“¹⁷ ...be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord...”** Where? **“...in the air.”** “Oh, it doesn’t sound logical to me.” You’re right. You’re right. Parting of the Red Sea sounds logical to you? The River Jordan recedes, going all the way back, opening enough space for almost 2 million Israelites to cross it sound logical to you? God is not in the business of what sounds logical for you. He’s coming to not just be in the cloud, but **“¹⁷ ...to meet the Lord in the air.”** And not only that, look what He says, **“¹⁷ ...And thus we shall always be with the Lord.”** [Audience: Applause]

And that alone is why we need to eagerly wait for Him. That’s it. And from that moment on, Jesus gets back to His heavenly mansions, we go with Him. He returns back to Earth; we return back with Him. He will rule and reign, we will rule and reign with Him. We’re with Him the whole time. Right now, we’re not there. We are ambassadors. You’re ambassadors. You can already print the card, “Ambassador.” People might think you’re weird. Hello? But you are ambassadors for Christ. But on the back, you can print “Future Governor.” Because we will reign with Him when we come back with Him. [Audience: Applause]

And by the way, He promised to return. [Matthew 25:13] ¹³ **‘Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.’**” He’s talking about that. (Revelation 1:7) ⁷ **Behold, He is coming with clouds,...**” The return of Jesus to Earth is not for the church. It’s with the church. And the Bible says that He’s not coming anymore in the clouds, but He’s on the clouds or with the clouds. The rapture is a private event where no one is going to see it. No one is going to experience it unless you are one of them. You know, we’re going to blink with our eye and boom, we’re with Him. That’s it. There’s not any Mary Poppins in reverse. No one is going to see us going all the way up there. In fact, in many parts of the world, no one will even know there was a rapture. I mean, think about it. Saudi Arabia, the rapture happens. What’s going to happen there? Nothing. In so many parts of Europe, no one will even know. “Oh, some people disappeared. Oh, anyway, they were weird. Party poopers.” Guys, the rapture is a private thing. But when He comes back to Earth with us, oh, every eye will see, every knee shall bow. There’s no way anyone can miss that one. It’s no longer in the clouds where no one can see. It’s on the clouds; with the clouds He will come back. [Revelation 1:7] ⁷ **...and every eye will see Him, even they...**” the Jewish people, **“...who pierced Him.”** The Bible says those that Zechariah [12:10] says, ¹⁰ **...they will look on Me whom they pierced.”** [Revelation 1:7] ⁷ **...And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.**” Amazing.

And Jesus promised not just to come back, but to judge the world and reign over the earth. As 2 Timothy [4:1-2] says, ¹ **I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.**” That’s what we need to do because Jesus will come. And the second coming of Jesus is not to save. It’s not for sin. It’s what? It’s for judgment. Now, people will get saved. People will

get saved throughout the tribulation. People will get saved even throughout the millennial kingdom. But the second coming of Jesus to Earth, the primary reason is to come to establish the kingdom and judge the world.

And we are watchmen on the walls who can see the day approaching. As **Hebrews [10:23-25]** says, **“²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, ²⁵ not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.”** Everywhere you look around you, you know that two things: Jesus is coming soon, and the Antichrist is soon going to appear and rule this place that is perfectly ready for him. It’s amazing. They will receive anyone right now but Jesus. And Satan targets those who wait. He loves people who are blind, they don’t wait, they could care less. It’s okay. But those who wait? Oh, he sows discord. And shortly before his death, Peter found it necessary to warn people about false prophets, to sow discord, to destroy the church from the inside. **[2 Peter 1:16-17]** **“¹⁶ For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. ¹⁷ For He received from God the Father honor and glory...”** Peter basically said, “We saw Him. You don’t have to tell me what it’s all about. I saw Him. I was there. I saw. I was on the mount of transfiguration.” We even heard from Him. **“¹⁷... from the Excellent Glory: ‘This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.’”** And that’s why Peter said **[2 Peter 1:21]: “²¹...prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”** That’s what prophecy is all about. God speaking through a holy person as he’s moved by the Holy Spirit. Never by the will of

man. That's why you cannot have a school of prophecy, a school to become a prophet. There are some.

Satan inspires hostility. And we know that. And we know that he wants to stop things from happening. There are fights in the heavenly realm. We know that ¹³ ... **‘Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the kings of Persia.’** in **Daniel 10:13.** **1 Peter 5:8-9** said, ⁸ **‘Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. ⁹ Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.’** [**2 Peter 3:3**] ³ **‘...knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking...’** You see, all of these people that are laughing at you because you're so much into Bible prophecy, you know why they're laughing at you? Because they are about their own lusts. And you stand in their way. Remember, I landed in Singapore and somebody picked me up in a beautiful Mercedes, and he drove me to the hotel. And on the way, he told me how much God blessed his business and how God blessed him with so much money. He's building a huge house. He's in a process of making the nicest house that he's ever had. And he says, “I don't even mind that Jesus will not come back soon.” Because he wanted to enjoy this beautiful house. It's the private lusts of that particular thing. People are so much into the worldly things that the last thing they need is for someone to be excited about the coming of the Lord. Their own lusts. And they're saying [**2 Peter 3:4**], ⁴ **‘Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.’**” And they fall asleep. These people, they're not sent by God. They don't have the Spirit of God. And it's their own private lusts that motivates them to laugh at you.

And there is an effect for eagerly waiting for Him. There is a blessing in the waiting. It regards providence as in **Psalm 18:30**: “³⁰ **As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.**” It renews our strength as **Psalm 31:24**: “²⁴ **Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all you who hope in the LORD.**” [Isaiah 40:31] “³¹ **But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.**” It also rejects fear. **Psalm 37:7** says, “⁷ **Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him; do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who brings wicked schemes to pass.**” It reaffirms our perspective. **Psalm 62:1** says, “¹ **Truly my soul silently waits for God; from Him comes my salvation.**”

Waiting for God. God delights in His people waiting for Him. He wants you to wait for Him. He wants you to expect Him. He wants you to eagerly be looking forward to His coming. This is the believer He wants to see. It reassures also confidence. **Galatians 6:9** says, “⁹ **And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.**” Let’s never lose heart. Eagerly waiting is also something that prioritizes our lives. **Philippians 3:20** says, “²⁰ **For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,**” We need to always remember, He’s coming. He will never find anything in this world that is worth the waiting for. From up there, from there, we eagerly wait for our Savior, Jesus Himself.

It purifies our lives. When you know He’s coming any minute, you want to stay pure. You want to be ready. Think about it. If He told us, “The rapture is going to take place on February 14, 2026.” Most people will be in Vegas until February 10. Then they’ll run home, be on their knees, “Oh....” That’s it. No, be ready. It can happen tomorrow. It can happen today. It can happen before

this conference is over. Oh, that (audience reaction) was very weak. Everyone who has the hope in Him, purifies Himself as He is pure.

And the last thing is, while we are waiting, while we are waiting—we are waiting—while we are waiting, **[Ephesians 5:15-16] “¹⁵ See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, ¹⁶ redeeming the time, because the days are evil.”** I have a word of encouragement to all of you: It’s going to get worse. The days are evil. We have to remember that. And we know that God is giving us talents, time, and resources. What are we doing with them? It’s important that we understand that He’s looking at what we’re doing. And by what we do with the time, the resources, and the talents that we have, He will then decide how much responsibility we’re going to get when He comes back. That’s what exactly He said in the parable of the talents, in the minas. And even in **Revelation 2:26**, He says, “²⁶ **‘And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations...’**”

Do you understand that now as we wait, now this is our time, that our faithfulness is going to affect what we’re going to do in the next chapter? Interesting, huh? While we are eagerly waiting, let us remember that our actions now will determine our future. As **1 Corinthians 3:9-15** says, “⁹ **For we are God’s fellow workers; you are God’s field, you are God’s building. ¹⁰ According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. ¹¹ For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. ¹² Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, ¹³ each one’s work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one’s work, of what sort it is. ¹⁴ If anyone’s work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. ¹⁵ If anyone’s work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he**

himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.” Do you want to reach heaven with smoke coming out of you? Like those, you know, the cartoons when—How do you want to reach heaven? As someone who is faithful and is ready for his rewards in heaven, heavenly rewards, not earthy ones? Or what is it that you built in this world in the time and the talents that He gave you and the resources that He gave you? Everything is going to be tested. There is a dying world outside that needs to see us; he needs to see hope in us; he needs to see peace in us; he needs to see love in us; and he needs to see those good works in us. But more so, the fact that we are not waiting for anyone or anything else than the appearance of Jesus. The non-believers should see how *eagerly* you are waiting for Jesus, not for anything else. They need to understand how much all the great things that they see on you or in you and with you, originate from the fact that you eagerly wait for Him.

And so, I submit to you this evening, we are coming to this finish line very, very soon. This world is going to see crazy things very shortly, crazy things. And every believer here should smile because we know that our redemption is drawing near. [Applause] Keep one eye on Israel. Try not to look weird when the other eye is looking for Jesus. But remember what's going on in that part of the world and how you behave in regard to that part of the world and the nation that is there is going to be a great test for all of you. God is looking for faithfulness. Don't follow the crowd and the trends and all the deception that is all over. Stay strong with the Word and the promises of God because He who promised is faithful.

Father, we thank You, Father, this evening from Calgary, a place that is now filled with so many people that are eagerly waiting for You. Actually, it would be nice if You came right now to take us, but if You choose not to, at least let us leave this place on fire to do Your work until You come, to occupy, to be about the Father's business, to do business. Father, we thank You that You give us that peace, that joy, that You in us reflect Yourself. And we ask that we never stumble

anyone around us, that in us they will look and see how much You are so important. As the Bible says, they will look at You and they will praise Your Father which is in heaven. Father, I pray this evening that all of us here will also remember. And as we look at the nation of Israel that is still in disbelief, we will remember that You will begin the good work with them. And You physically restored them back to their land. You are also going to complete it when You will spiritually save them as a nation at the end of the tribulation. We pray, Father, that You will give us the heart to share with them Your Word, and that there is only one hope for peace in the Middle East. There is only one way and only one truth, and that's Yeshua the Messiah and Him crucified. The finished work of Him on the cross is the way. And it's not something that was written by pagans to pagans. It's something that You Yourself, through Your prophets, wrote to Your people Israel in their Old Testament, because You want them as well to know the way, the truth and the life. So, Father, we ask that You will use us to share with everyone around us in these last days. And may none of the people that call themselves true Christians will be found not eagerly waiting. All of us, because to those who eagerly wait for Him, He will appear the second time. So, we thank You and we bless You in the matchless name of the Holy One of Israel, the Prince of Peace, the Lord of Lords, the Lamb of God, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, Emmanuel. In the name of Yeshua we pray and all of God's people say, "Amen, Amen."

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