

Red Letters | Are you ready?

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START TALKING - Find conversations starters for the group or with a friend.

There are many elements to a wedding from the cermoney to the reception, from the dress to the cake. What do you most enjoy at a wedding and why?

KEEP READING - Read the Scripture and ask a question to get the group thinking.

Matthew 24:36 - 44; Revelation 22:12 -13

Joseph spoke to us about the soon coming return of Jesus and the words He spoke in Matthew and John's recorded words in Revelation. Are we ready for the return of Jesus and how do we prepare for His return?

- What stands out to you from what you've heard and read?
- What do you think it means to be ready for the return of Jesus?

KEEP TALKING - Choose questions to create openness.

Joseph helped us by giving four ways we can ready ourselves for the coming of Jesus:

- 1. Get our priorities right (Matt 24:44 Rev 22:12-13)
- 2. Purify yourself (Matt 24:37-39)
- 3. Don't lose hope (Matt 24:21-22)
- 4. Be discerning & hold fast to His word (Matt 24:23-27; Rev 22:7)
- In what ways do we as followers of Jesus need to ensure priorities are in order and how does purity link with this?
- False prophets and teachers exist but how we do we ensure we're aware of them and tune into God's voice?
- How can we encourage one another with the good news of Christ's return?
- What do you need to apply as a result of what Jesus said about his return?

KEEP MOVING/GOING -Commit to a step and live it out this week.

Identify ways that you can further understand the words of Jesus as a group.
Why not consider taking one of the gospels and reading through the *words in red* together.

KEEP PRAYING

• Let's spend time thanking God for the soon returning of His Son, Jesus and that all things will be renewed in His time. As we pray, let's encourage one another to live with an eternal mindset that's focussed on the understanding heaven, not earth is our home.