New Vision Church Sister 2 Sister DEEP DIVE Discussion and Prayer

Monday, December 1, 2025 @ 7:00 pm Zoom ID: 898 1686 2091 Passcode: 165904

Sister to Sister Women's Ministry

30-Minute Deep Dive Bible Discussion

"Living Ready: The Return of Christ"

Key Scripture: Matthew 24:42–44, 1 Thessalonians 4:16–18, Titus 2:11–13 (NLT)

1. Warm Welcome & Icebreaker (5 minutes)

Icebreaker Question:

"Sis, if Jesus came back TODAY, what would you hope He finds you doing?"

Give 30 seconds per person. Keep it light, loving, and reflective.

Alternate fun version:

"What chores or habits would you rush to fix if you knew company was coming in 10 minutes?"

Connect to spiritual readiness.

2. Scripture Focus (Read Together)

Matthew 24:42-44 (NLT)

"Therefore, you also must be ready all the time..."

1 Thessalonians 4:16–18 (NLT)

"For the Lord himself will come down from heaven..."

Titus 2:11–13 (NLT)

"We are instructed to turn from godless living... while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day..."

3. Background & Author Notes (4 minutes)

Author: Matthew

- A former tax collector turned disciple
- Wrote for Jewish believers to show Jesus as the promised Messiah
- Emphasizes preparation, discipleship, and readiness

Author: Paul (1 Thessalonians & Titus)

- Apostle to the Gentiles
- Writing to young churches needing strength, hope, and clarity
- Focused on holy living, hope, and the return of Christ

Audience:

Early believers who were:

- Facing persecution
- Struggling with confusion about the end times
- Learning how to stay faithful while waiting

Purpose of These Texts:

- To comfort
- To warn
- To prepare
- To remind believers of the hope we have in Christ's return

4. Deep Dive: What Do These Scriptures Teach? (5 minutes)

- A. Jesus is coming back—personally and visibly. This is not a myth, rumor, or church slogan. It is a promise.
- B. His coming will be sudden. Not scheduled, not predicted unexpected.
- C. We are called to live READY. Not scared, not frantic prepared.
- D. His return is meant to comfort us. "Encourage one another with these words." (1 Thess. 4:18)
- E. Waiting is not passive it's active.

We wait by:

- Living holy lives
- Walking in our purpose
- Serving with love
- Staying faithful in every season
- Keeping our hearts aligned with God

5. Women's Life Application: How Do We Respond as Women of God? (8 minutes)

We carry MANY roles:

- Wife
- Mother
- Sister
- Grandmother
- Friend
- Employee
- Caregiver
- Ministry servant
- Intercessor

- Counselor
- Provider
- Leader

And Jesus' return speaks to ALL these spaces.

A. Live Ready in Our Homes

Not perfect — prepared.

Let our homes be places where:

- Grace flows
- Prayer is normal
- Forgiveness is practiced
- Children and grandchildren see faith lived out
- Peace sits in the atmosphere

B. Live Ready in Our Emotions

Because life be lifin', sis.

But readiness means:

- Casting our anxiety (1 Peter 5:7)
- Choosing trust over panic
- Keeping our hearts fixed on Him
- Not letting fear rule our decisions

C. Live Ready in Our Walk With God

As women, we juggle so much — but our spiritual core must stay strong.

We live ready by:

- Consistent prayer
- Regular Word time
- Repentance
- Worship
- Listening for God's voice
- Guarding our hearts

D. Live Ready in Our Relationships

His return challenges us to:

- Forgive quickly
- Let go of grudges
- Love deeply
- Mend what is broken
- Be peacemakers
- Speak life, not bitterness

E. Live Ready in Purpose

We cannot dim our gifts waiting for "the right season."

Purpose is now. Use your hands, your voice, your wisdom, your story, your calling — TODAY.

6. Discussion Questions (5 minutes)

- 1. Which part of Jesus' return gives you the most HOPE?
- 2. What area of your life do you feel God calling you to "get ready" in?
- 3. How does the promise of His return change the way you handle stress or hardship?
- 4. What is one action step you can take THIS WEEK to live more ready?

7. Closing Encouragement (1 minute)

Sis, the return of Christ is not meant to scare us — it's meant to steady us.

It reminds us:

- This world is not our home
- Our labor is not in vain
- Our suffering is temporary
- Our Savior is faithful
- Our story ends in victory

8. Closing Prayer (2 minutes)

Father, thank You for the promise of Jesus' return. Help us live ready — in our homes, in our hearts, in our purpose, and in every role You've given us as women of God. Strengthen us to walk holy, love deeply, forgive freely, and serve faithfully. Protect our minds, guard our spirits, and anchor our hope in You.

Come, Lord Jesus. We are looking for You.

In Jesus' name, Amen.