

WHILE WE WAIT



CONSTANT WAITING

The Events of Christ's Return:

1. Jesus Appears
2. Resurrection
3. Judgement
4. Re-Creation



JESUS-CENTRED

1 THESSALONIANS 5:1, 1 CORINTHIANS 2:2, COLOSSIANS 1:15-20

"IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO GOD IS, LOOK AT JESUS. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN, LOOK AT JESUS. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT LOVE IS, LOOK AT JESUS... AND GO ON LOOKING UNTIL YOU'RE NOT JUST A SPECTATOR, BUT ACTUALLY PART OF THE DRAMA THAT HAS HIM AS THE CENTRAL CHARACTER."



- N.T. WRIGHT

For in him all
THE FULLNESS
of God was
pleased to
DWELL, AND
through him to
RECONCILE TO
★ HIMSELF ALL ★
THINGS, WHETHER
ON EARTH OR IN
HEAVEN, MAKING
peace by the
BLOOD OF HIS
CROSS.
COLOSSIANS
1:19-20

ENDURING HARDSHIP

MATTHEW 24:2-3, 2 PETER 3:9

He who endures
to the end shall
be saved.

MATTHEW 24:13

The Lord isn't really being slow
about his promise, as some people think

NO, HE IS BEING PATIENT
for your sake

**HE DOES NOT WANT
ANYONE TO BE DESTROYED
BUT WANTS EVERYONE TO REPENT**

2 PETER 3:9

BUSINESS AS USUAL

MATTHEW 24:36-39, LUKE 17:28-30

and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

~ Matthew 24:39 NIV

“It was the same in the days of Lot. People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building. But the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all.

“It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed.

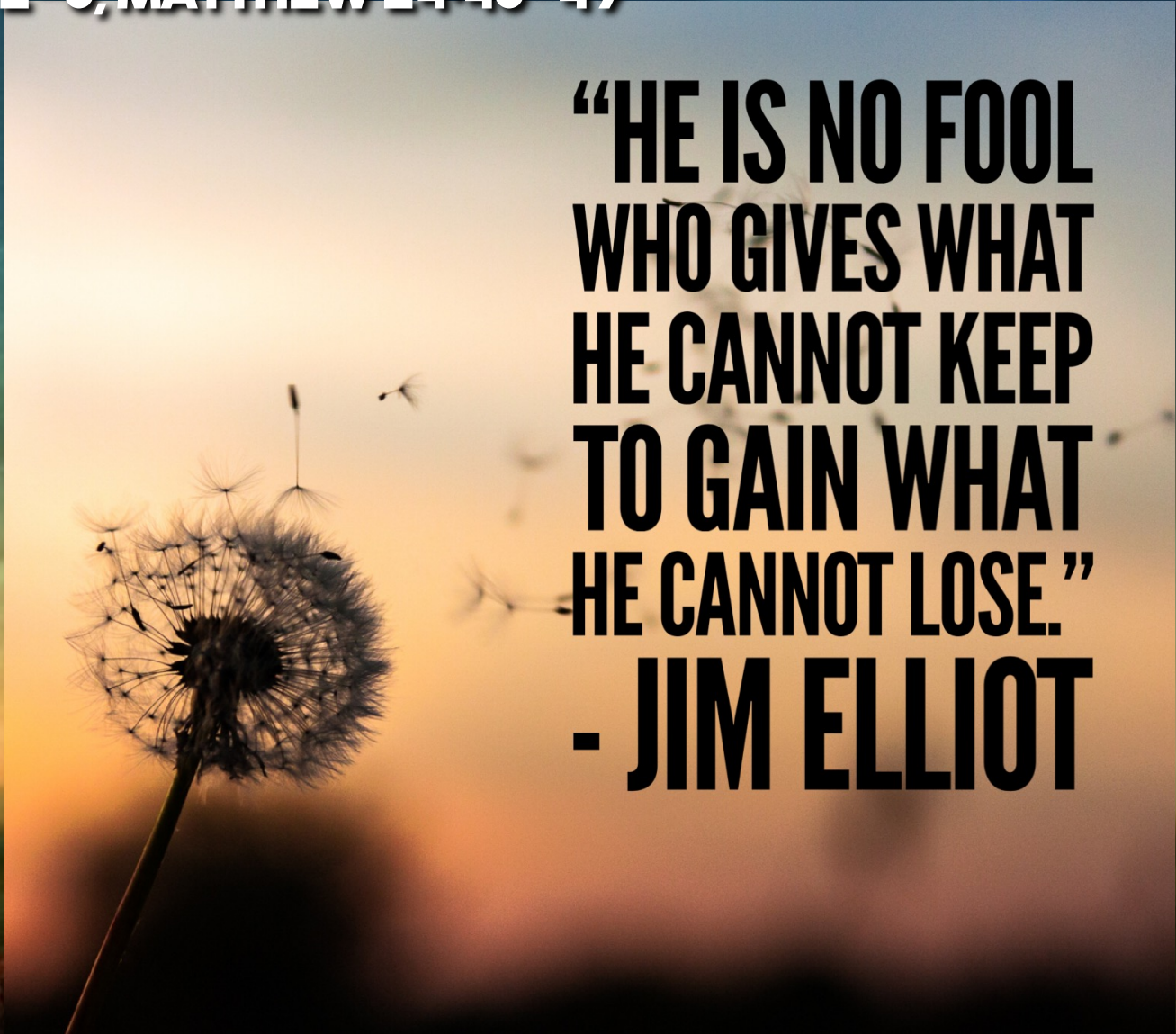
~ Luke 17:28-30 NIV

STAYING AWAKE

1 THESSALONIANS 5:2-8, MATTHEW 24:48-49

Be very careful,
then, how you live—
not as unwise but as
wise, making the
most of every
opportunity,
because the days
are evil.

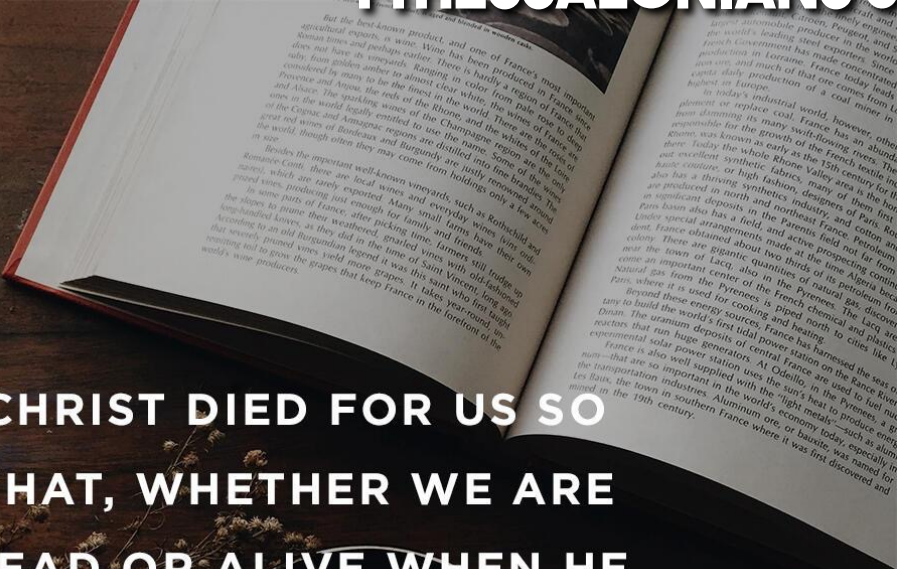
Ephesians 5:15-16
NIV



**“HE IS NO FOOL
WHO GIVES WHAT
HE CANNOT KEEP
TO GAIN WHAT
HE CANNOT LOSE.”
- JIM ELLIOT**

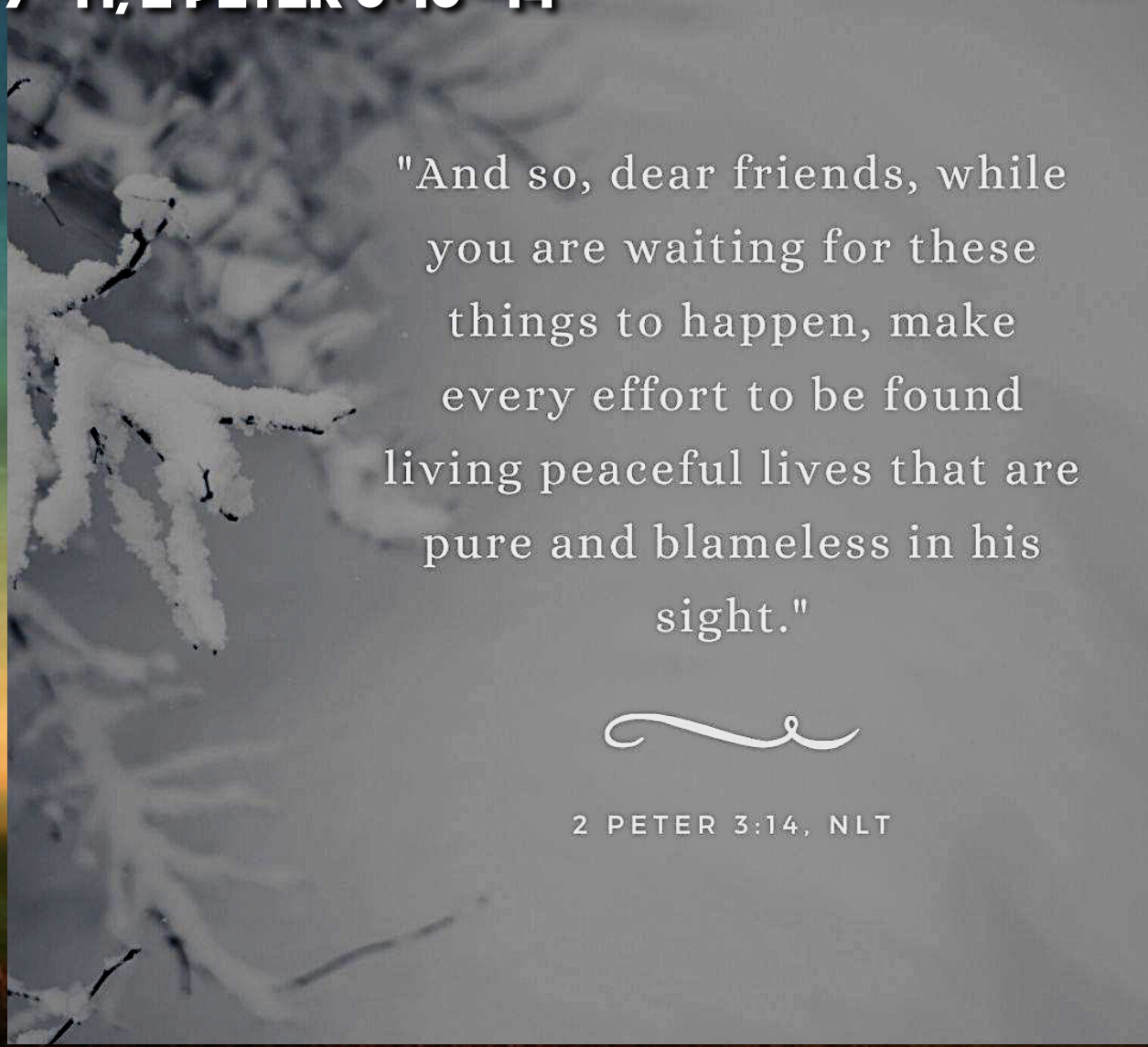
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1 THESSALONIANS 5:9-11, 2 PETER 3:13-14



**CHRIST DIED FOR US SO
THAT, WHETHER WE ARE
DEAD OR ALIVE WHEN HE
RETURNS, WE CAN LIVE
WITH HIM FOREVER.**

1 THESSALONIANS 5:10



"And so, dear friends, while
you are waiting for these
things to happen, make
every effort to be found
living peaceful lives that are
pure and blameless in his
sight."



2 PETER 3:14, NLT