**Are You Watching? Are You Ready?**

**Matthew 24:1-44 / Matthew 25:31-46**

**February 16, 2020**

**Matthew 24 & 25 contain one of the most well-known of Jesus’ sermons, sometimes called the “Olivet Discourse,” because he spoke it while on the Mount of Olives overlooking Jerusalem and the Temple. He was arrested two days later. The sermon has a distinct Jewish flavor to it ; and yet its message is for all people. It answers the question, “What are we to *watch* for as the end of the age draws near?”**

**Some Background:**

* **the Jewish nature of this sermon**
* **Why all the fuss about the Jews?**
* **What is the Tribulation?**
* **What is the Rapture?**

**Watch …**

1. **… for the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ signs of the end 24:4-14**
2. **… for the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sign of the end 24:15-28**
3. **… for the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sign of the end 24:29-31**
4. **Watch \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ! 24:32-44**

**In the busy, tumultuous world in which we live, does my life, on a daily basis, *demonstrate* that I really belong to Christ and am ready for his return?**