

Prepare

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. (Matthew 3:3)

Humble yourselves before the Lord and he will exalt you. (James 4:10)

*Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ
for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:38)*

*The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.
(Luke 2:40)*

*Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation
to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope. (1 Peter 3:15)*

Be on your guard, stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong. (1 Corinthians 16:13)

*Be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding,
ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks.*

Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.

Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.

*And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way,
blessed are those servants.*

(Luke 12:36-38)