

HOMELAND SECURITY AND WATCHFULNESS
Matthew 25:1-13

The unofficial creed in the American homeland war on terrorism is this: 'Be vigilant, be watchful, be prepared'. Be vigilant in matters of security, whether at an airport, a government institution or in the back sorting room of the post office. Be watchful for signs of terrorism: a backpack left unattended, a strange request for chemicals at a fertilizer plant, a white powder in the mail or unusual behavior by a neighbor down the street. Be prepared to call the police or FBI. Be prepared to evacuate a building. Be prepared to take defensive measures when your life or the lives of others is threatened. Be vigilant, be watchful, be prepared.

It's a good motto because it is the same motto Jesus expects His followers to live by. It is the same motto that He wants His disciples to 'catch' here in Matthew 25 – Be vigilant, be watchful, be prepared.

Following Jesus is not a passive role. We are to be growing in our faith daily. We are to be vigilant in bringing others to Christ, helping them grow in their faith. We are to be on the look out as to how we can serve the Lord daily. Are you ready to serve the Lord? Will you answer Here I am Lord send me or will you be off on an errand and miss the opportunity to serve you Lord.

God bless,
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