

Luke 12:43
Luke 21:36

I. Constant Vigilance. "Watch Ye."

- a. Telescope view. Looking at things from a long distance. Ascertain things as far in advance as possible. Eagle eye.
- b. Microscopic view. Looking at things closely. Ascertain the features that are hidden to ordinary means of seeing. The microscope reveals things that will never appear to casual looker.
- c. Circumspective view. Attentive to all circumstances or consequences; cautions; prudent. Webster Dict. The group of synonyms is completed by Naphein, which signifies a state untouched by an slumberous an beclouding influence and thence, one that is guarded against advance of drowsiness or bewilderment. Thayer Greek Lexicon.

II. Constant Prayerfulness. "Pray Always."

- a. There should be fixed periods for prayer. Daniel prayed three times a day. The apostles went up to the temple at the hour of prayer.
- b. Prayer may be in the form of a personal petition; intercessory in the behalf of others; or it may be agonizing as in the case of Christ in the garden.
- c. Praying always is a state or an attitude of prayerfulness even though we may not be on our knees.

III. Constant Activity. "Blessed Is That Servant Whom His Lord Finds So Doing."

- a. Doing active labor. God workéd. Jesus said, "My Father works and I work."
- b. Specific work. "So doing." It is not enough to work, must find our specific work.
- c. Faithfulness in work. Others might go and come, but the servant remained until his Lord returned. "Occupied til I come."