

## AT ANY MOMENT

Selected scriptures

### Introduction

- I. The Passages That Introduce Imminency – John 14:1-3, 1 Thessalonians 5:4-9, Revelation 22:20, Luke 21:28, Romans 8:23, 1 Corinthians 1:7, 1 Corinthians 15:51-52, Philippians 3:20, 1 Thessalonians 5:2, Titus 2:13, Hebrews 10:25, James 5:8-9, 1 Peter 4:7, Revelation 22:7
  
- II. The Pronouns That Insist on Imminency – 1 Thessalonians 4:15,17
  
- III. The Parables That Illustrate Imminency – Mathew 24:36, Matthew 24:44, Mathew 25:13, Luke 12:37
  
- IV. The Principle That Involves Imminency
  
- V. The Practice That Interprets Imminency
  - A. Consolation – 1 Thessalonians 4:18, 1 Thessalonians 4:13
  - B. Expectation
  - C. Consecration – 1John 3:2-3
  - D. Examination – John 14:4-6

### Conclusion

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

### Getting Started

1. Think of a time when you had to wait - waiting for someone to arrive, waiting outside of an event before it began, or possibly waiting for a place to open its doors. What was that experience like? What did you do while you waited?
2. Think about your answer above, and tell how your waiting experience would have been different if you had known that it could have happened at any moment.

### Going Deeper

1. We studied the word *Imminent* in the sermon this week. Using an internet search or a thesaurus, look up some synonyms for *Imminent*. Write down 3-5 of them that capture the idea of *Imminent* as Pastor Jeremiah spoke of it this week

2. Read I Thessalonians 5:4-9 and Ephesians 5:15-21. What is the main idea of both passages?

3. Read the following verses and write down the action we are to take in light of the imminence of Christ's return.

Romans 8:23

I Corinthians 1:7

Philippians 3:20

Titus 2:13

4. Read Luke 12:35-38. How should the fact that Christ (the Master in this story) could return at any time impact our behavior in the meantime?

5. Who do you know that lives as if Jesus could return at any moment? Now, think of a person who lives as if Jesus' return won't happen for a long time, if ever. What are the differences between these two lifestyles?

### Applying the Message

1. Are you living your life in light of Christ's imminent return? If He returned *right now*, would he find you waiting eagerly (Philippians 3:20) and walking circumspectly (Ephesians 5:15)?

2. What can you do this week to keep the idea of imminence at the top of your awareness? What or who can you rely on to remind you?