

CrossWalk **notes**

Count On It

Count on Push Back. Count on Push Forward.

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How Can We Be Ready As Judgment Day Approaches?

¹ Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. ² Do you see all these things?" he asked. "Truly I tell you, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down." ³ As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" **Matthew 24:1-3, NIV**

⁴ Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. ⁵ For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah,' and will deceive many. ⁶ You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. ⁷ Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All these are the beginning of birth pains." **Matthew 24:4-8, NIV**

Don't be _____. Be _____ of the signs.

⁹ Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. ¹⁰ At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, ¹¹ and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. ¹² Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold. **Matthew 24:9-12, NIV**

Count on _____.

¹ But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. ² People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, ⁴ treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— ⁵

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having a form of godliness but denying its power. **2 Timothy 3:1-5a, NIV**

Do I sometimes allow push back against God to _____ me further away from Him?
Confess our loss of love and run back to _____!

¹³ but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. **Matthew 24:13-14, NIV**

Count on Jesus to push _____ to _____ you and to save others through your _____.

³⁰ Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. ³¹ And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other. **Matthew 24:30-31, NIV**

We can count on Judgment Day being a _____ day for unbelievers and a _____ day for believers.

³² Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. ³³ Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. ³⁴ Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³⁵ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away...⁴² Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. **Matthew 24:32-35, 42, NIV**

Be ready by being _____ upon Jesus.

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⁴² Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. **Matthew 24:42, NIV**