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"Watching: It's a Can-Miss Life"

Matthew 25:1-13



INTRODUCTION

Follies:

Matthew 25:1-13

The serious business of Christmas Joy: *Watching*

Matthew 25:13

Matthew 24:42

What is 'watching'?

I. "WATCH" MEANS "BE _____"

Here comes the groom:

Our 'wedding' to the returning Jesus comes ...

1. ... at an _____ interval
2. ... at an _____ time
3. ... with an _____ effect

Matthew 25:7

Matthew 25:13

James Gordon Bennett:

II. "WATCH" MEANS "BE _____"

"Foolish"

Be awake...

- 1.... To the flow of _____
Matthew 24:1-2

Sometimes our ancestors knew:

2. ... to greater _____
Two choices:
Movie unreality:

3. ... to _____ at work

Matthew 24:37-38

Tony Campolo:

III. "WATCH" MEANS "BE _____"

Matthew 25:8

We can't borrow...

1. ... a _____ with God

Matthew 25:12

N.T. Wright:

C.S. Lewis:

2. ...A God-shaped _____

The unbridled bride:

3. ... a life _____ for _____

D.L. Moody:

Lord Shaftesbury

4. ... a _____

Frederick Buechner: