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* Tonight -- Opportunity to give a Bible study
* Tonight -- Starting a series -- discussing Matthew 24
* Title -- Matthew 24:1-5
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Matt. 24:1        He departed from temple -- His disciples came up to  
                         show Him the buildings of temple

Mark 13:1        as He left temple, one of His disciples said to  
                         Him, "Teacher, see what manner of stones  
                         and what buildings are here"

- \* His reply about the stones

Matt. 24:2        not one stone shall be left here upon another that  
                         shall not be thrown down

Mark 13:2        do you see these great buildings? -- Not one stone  
                         shall be left upon another, that shall not  
                         be thrown down

- \* The disciples asked Him questions

Matt. 24:3        disciples came to Jesus privately and asked --  
                    When shall these things be?  
                    What shall be the sign of Your coming?  
                    What shall be the sign of the end of age?

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*      At this time, I want to talk the concept of "watching"
*      Does watching mean -- Noticing world events?
*      Does watching mean -- Focusing upon our personal behavior?
*      Dear friends -- Watching means "both"
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* Watch -- "gregoreo" (#1127) -- verb
 "To keep watch" -- "Be on Guard"
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- \* First -- Focusing upon our personal behavior

|                     |                                                  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Matt. 24:42         | watch therefore -- for you do not know what hour |
| your Lord is coming |                                                  |
| 43                  | if the master of the house had known what hour   |
|                     | the thief would come, he would have watched      |
|                     | and not allowed his house to be broken into      |
| 44                  | be ready -- because the Son of Man is coming at  |
|                     | an hour you do not expect                        |
| 45                  | faithful & wise servant -- ruler over household  |
| 46-47               | good behavior                                    |

48-51 bad behavior

\* Second -- Noticing world events

Matt. 24:3 when? -- what is the sign?  
15 when you see  
32 learn this parable -- when...  
33 when you see all these things...  
36 watching world events is excellent -- but do not be  
deceived by prediction addiction

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\* Warning -- Take heed that no man deceive you

Matt. 24:4 Jesus said -- take heed that no man deceive you  
5 Jesus said -- many shall come in My name saying I am  
Christ and shall deceive many

1. SAYING THAT THEY PERSONALLY ARE CHRIST

Matt. 24:24 shall arise false Christs and false prophets  
2 Thes. 2:3-4 let no man deceive you by any means -- man of  
sin -- son of perdition -- opposes and  
exalts himself above all that is called God  
-- he sits as God sits in the temple  
Rev. 13:11 another beast -- looked like a lamb and spoke like  
a dragon

2. SAYING THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST

Matt. 4:3-10 devil -- knew He was the Son of God  
Matt. 7:21 saying, "Lord, Lord"  
22 impressive action -- in Christ's name  
23 Jesus said -- "I never knew you"  
Gal. 2:4 false brethren -- seeking to take into bondage  
Jude 4 crept in unnoticed -- grace into lewdness

\* False apostles

2 Cor. 11:13-15 false apostles  
Rev. 2:2 call themselves apostles -- liars

\* False prophets

Jer. 23:16 false prophets -- not from mouth of the Lord  
21 false prophets -- I have not sent them  
Ezek. 13:1-7 false prophets -- I have not spoken  
Matt. 7:15-20 Christ -- beware of false prophets  
Matt. 24:11 many false prophets shall arise  
1 John 4:1-3 many false prophets are in the world

\* False teachers

1 Tim. 6:3-5  
2 Pet. 2:1-3

teaching otherwise -- destitute of truth  
false teachers -- make merchandise of you