



Kia inu kau ahau,  
If I could just drink  
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# Gospel for kidz

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes

**Today we are going to be talking about  
Jesus talks about being ready and prepared.  
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

**A reading from the Gospel according to Mark** *adapted for children*

**Jesus said,**

**“No one knows the day or the time.**

**The angels in heaven don't know, I don't know.**

**Only God knows.**

**So, watch out and be ready because you don't know  
when the time will come.**

**It is like what happens when a man goes away  
for a while and puts his**

**servants in charge of everything.**

**He tells each of them what to do,  
and he tells them to be on their guard,  
to be ready.**

**They must be prepared for his return at any time  
so that he will always find them ready to greet him.**

***Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story***

## Unpacking the Gospel

- does anyone know when Jesus will return?

we all know that Jesus will return at the end of time but only God knows when that will be.

- what does Jesus tell us to do?
- what is it we need to prepare / get ready?

we prepare our homes when visitors are coming.

Jesus asks us to prepare our hearts and lives for him.

- how can we do this?

**POLISH** our hearts and lives—make them shine

**CLEAR OUT** the rubbish—the bad things e.g. selfishness,  
bad habits

only God knows when the second coming will be but,  
in today's gospel we are reminded that even if we don't  
know when, we should still be prepared and ready to greet  
him always.



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# Be Prepared

So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

Matthew 24:44 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 36-44



W S O N Q R C B W A T C H W V  
L Z K H E X P E C T S E U O D  
N L V Q F E R G J L E M T V U  
F M V E M A K N I C G A H R W  
Y D H O U S E H Y K M J I W Z  
Z F C N O V W G O O W N E R U  
X Q R P A N A C T U H J F L V  
U Z L E J O G Y M Y R L R H Q  
A I H M B E L H K C E W P S R  
N M O X I K N O W X J J F R E  
G Z X R E A D Y Y T T F C M V  
E B V F C P D I H P W O I T L  
L C U Q H E Q G W P T T Z E B  
S G W Q S Q I C D T Z W M Z R  
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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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2. 12-21-26-15-7 \_\_\_\_\_
3. 5-26-14-21-12 \_\_\_\_\_
4. 11-15-22-4-17 \_\_\_\_\_
5. 6-5-8-10 \_\_\_\_\_
6. 24-8-11-4 \_\_\_\_\_
7. 13-8-16-15 \_\_\_\_\_
8. 4-22-17 \_\_\_\_\_

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