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in the second watch or in the third watch and find them so, blessed are those servants, and this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, if he had known the thief wouldn't until certain signs, and after those signs they were to begin watching, if he had known what hour the thief would come he would have watched and not have suffered his house to be broken through. Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not. Is this command to watch then something which applies to the disciples immediately after Christ's return and this applies to all Christians through the ages, not to be curious and looking for His coming, but to be active in your work and diligent in serving Him because we don't know when He will appear and it is an ardent suggestion, in addition to other things, that should lead us to be actively following Him. Does this refer to that or does it mean watch for Him in the sense that when you see a lot of                      and a lot of things happen, then you know that the coming of the Lord is soon. Is the coming of the Lord something which He presents here as imminent in the sense that Christians all through the ages are to be ready for it and to take it as an added incentive to constant application to the work of the Lord or is simply it/something that refers to the time after they see certain times and that they are not to use it as an incentive before. You may say, "Now,

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to some children, you might say, "Your father is over in Japan. You want to be working hard and be diligent because when your father comes back you want him to find you all clean and orderly and neat and happy that he is coming," and they say, "When is he coming?" "Well, we don't know. We don't know what day he will get here, what the hour is." "Well, has he started yet?" "Oh, we know he hasn't started yet, because he won't come until we get a letter saying he is on his way. There are certain signs that