

# “Ready in the Morning”

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## Introduction

1. Moses wrote “And be \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me in the top of the mount” (**Exodus 34:2**).
2. There is much to learn and think about concerning the phrase “ready in the morning.” This is the intention of this lesson.

## Discussion

### I. Ready in the Morning --- Many in the Bible Were So

- A. As you read through the Bible, you will notice many who rose in the morning.
- B. Look up the following verses and make a note of who rose early and for what purpose.

<b>PASSAGE</b>	<b>PERSON</b>	<b>REASON</b>
Genesis 20:8		
Genesis 21:14		
Genesis 22:3		
Exodus 8:20, 9:13		
Exodus 24:4		
Numbers 14:40		
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Joshua 3:1		
I Samuel 17:20		
Job 1:5		
Daniel 6:19		
Mark 16:2		
Acts 5:21		

## II. Ready in the Morning --- Why and What We Can Learn

- A. The question now becomes why these folks rose early in the morning. And upon answering that question, we will discover lessons each of us need to learn and implement.
- B. Why rise early in the morning? Consider.
1. Rising early in the morning is an indication of diligence and persistence.
    - a. What are diligence and persistence? \_\_\_\_\_  
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    - b. “\_\_\_\_\_ is commanded by the God of heaven, let it be \_\_\_\_\_ done for the house of the God of heaven” (**Ezra 7:23**).
    - c. People of God are persistent. They do not give up or quit. They forge on in the battle knowing the reward is great. As the old cliché says --- Persistence pays off (**Ruth 1:14-18**).
  2. Rising early in the morning is an indication one is willing to work.
    - a. Are there those who just do not want to work? Are there those who work hard physically, but not spiritually? What did Paul say of those who are not willing to work in **II Thessalonians 3:10**? \_\_\_\_\_

- b. Paul wrote “Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth” (**Ephesians 4:28**).
    - c. Consider also: **I Timothy 5:8, Proverbs 14:23, 31:15**
  - 3. Rising early in the morning is an indication one is industrious.
    - a. To be industrious is to be busy doing profitable things. Some are busy in other men’s matters (**I Peter 4:15**). We need to be busy in the Lord’s work.
    - b. Jeroboam was said to have been \_\_\_\_\_ according to **I Kings 11:28**.
    - c. Think about these verses too: **Proverbs 6:6-11, Luke 2:49**
  - 4. Rising early in the morning is an indication one is aware life is fleeting and brief.
    - a. We each have one life to live --- a life that will slip by quickly if we’re not careful (**James 4:14, I Peter 1:24**).
    - b. “Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy \_\_\_\_\_; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou \_\_\_\_\_” (**Ecclesiastes 9:10**).
    - c. What did Paul say to do in **Ephesians 5:16** and **Colossians 4:5**? And how is that done? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Conclusion**

- 1. Sleeping is nice and necessary --- but don’t fall in love with it (**Proverbs 20:13**).
- 2. Let us be determined to “Be Ready” to rise early in the morning to accomplish the Lord’s Will!