

November 16 Devotional

Main Topic	Supporting Scripture (NRSV)	Call to Application
I. BEWARE: Of False Christs and False Timelines	Matthew 24:24: "For false Christs and false prophets will appear and produce great signs and wonders, to lead astray, if possible, even the elect."	Think through claims: Refuse to be captivated by miraculous displays lacking a biblical base. Center your entire spiritual compass on the reliable authority of the Scriptures alone.
	1 John 4:1: "Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God; for many false prophets have gone out into the world."	Critical Discernment: Treat every new spiritual teaching or "revelation" as subject to Scripture . Do not accept anything unless it stands up to the scrutiny of the established Gospel of Jesus Christ and His teachings.
	2 Peter 3:10: "But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be exposed."	Live with Urgency: Since the time is unknown, your mandate is to maximize your faithfulness in the present moment, living as if today is your last day.
II. MAKE UP YOUR MIND: Be Pre-Decided for Testimony	1 Peter 3:15: "Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence."	Cultivate the Inner Life: Your readiness to testify is often about the presence of hope in your heart . Cultivate a vibrant, daily walk with Christ so that the "reason" for your hope is readily available.