# Palmetto Baptist Church – January 11, 2015 The Importance of Remaining Watchful – Matthew 26:36-46

#### **Inside the Text:**

- I. Wake up and encourage the hurting. (36-40)
  - A. Your presence is essential. (36-37)
  - B. Your sympathy is critical. (38)
  - C. Your despair is detrimental. (39-40)

#### II. Wake up and fight temptation. (41-43)

- A. Temptation is lurking. (41a)
- B. Good intentions are fleeting. (41b)
- C. Total submission is necessary. (42-43)

### III. Wake up and align your will with God's perfect plan. (44-46)

- A. Persevere in prayer. (44)
- B. Acknowledge God's hand in your current situation. (45)
- C. Respond with immediate obedience. (46)

## **Apply the Text:** (with Christ as your example...)

- Reach out to someone who is hurting.
- Reengage in the fight against temptation.
- Reflect on / Rejoice in God's presence all around you.