

## “WAITING FOR CHRIST’S RETURN”

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH, JUDE #12

JUDE 21B

INTRODUCTION —

### A. WHAT IS ASKED OF US HERE?

1. FABRIC OF FOUR COMMANDS (VV. 20-22)
2. EXPECTANCY — HOPE
3. ENCOURAGEMENT — MERCY

### B. WRONG TURNS WITH WAITING FOR CHRIST’S RETURN?

1. TOO MUCH SKEPTICISM
2. TOO MUCH PRESENT-ORIENTATION
3. TOO MUCH FUTURE-ORIENTATION

### C. WAYS TO WAIT FAITHFULLY IN THIS HOPE

1. FOLLOW THE BEE, NOT THE SPIDER (T. WATSON)
2. FOCUS ON CHRIST — HIS CROSS & HIS PROMISE
3. FUEL THE FIRE OF HOPE — ‘CONSIDER THE LILIES’ LK 12:27

### CLOSING WORDS

TRUE HOPE IS “QUICKENING”  
TRUE HOPE IS “PURIFYING”  
JESUS’ WORDS, LUKE 12:32-40

✠ AMEN ✠