

...be girded about and your lights burning. Does that mean you should put a girdle or a sash around you, and you should turn on the electric light? It is perfectly obvious of course that this is a figurative statement, but the meaning of it is perfectly clear. That we are to be vigilant, we are to be ready, we are to be active. But what does he go on? He says do this and ye yourselves be like men that wait for their Lord, ~~and ye~~ ^{when he} shall return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. This ~~he~~ tells the disciples in a passage between statements of how they were to live in this day before and after (1 1/4) It is not talking about something that is in the future, it is saying what you are to do right now. He says, be like men who wait for their Lord, that when he comes and knocks, they may open to Him immediately. V. 37, blessed are those servants whom the lord when he comes shall find watching. Verily I say unto you that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if she shall come in the second watch, or come 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, 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.

The disciples right then were told to be watching for the coming of the Lord and ready whenever He comes. Well, would He come. Was He talking to them or was He just giving something, you write this down, you put it in the book and two thousand years from now, whenever the eschatological process begins, then people will read this and they will find out what I want them to know then. It has nothing to do with you. Well, let's see what the next verse says. Then Peter said unto Him, Lord, are you speaking this for people when the eschatological context begins two or three thousand years from now? Or is it meant for us? No, that's not what Peter says. Peter says