

# National Security

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**“So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.” (Matt. 24:44)**

OUR WORLD HAS SEEN TERRORIST ATTACKS, random shootings in schools, churches, and entertainment venues. When these devastating events happen, authorities and officials examine the circumstances and strive to prevent something similar from happening in the future. Security measures, political discussions, education, and counseling are used to deal with the aftershocks of the event and to prevent future loss. Unfortunately, our attempts to respond to these crises won't eliminate future ones. Despite our best efforts, our vulnerability to these senseless acts of violence only seems to be increasing.

While no government can prevent—or be fully prepared to respond to—a violent attack, we can be fully ready for the moment when Jesus returns for us. He is not asking us to arm ourselves with weapons but only with His Word. We do not have to endure political wrangling to ensure our safety; we just have to believe in Him and be baptized. It is not necessary to understand complicated security protocols, but it is imperative that we know Him. When Jesus spoke on the Mount of Olives, He explained to us how to make ourselves secure for eternity. We do so simply by being obedient to and having a relationship with Him. If you do not have that security for your eternal future, you can have it today.

Place your trust in Jesus Christ today.

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**February 18, 2018**

FOCUS Wesleyan Church

In Christ Alone - “Puzzle pieces of the End Times”

**Sermon Notes:**  
**Matthew 24:3-31**

**Matthew 24:6-8**

**Revelation 6:1-8**

## **1. The Antichrist will come as a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_**

**Revelation 19:11-16**

## **2. Satan has his imitation of the holy \_\_\_\_\_**

**Revelation 19:20**

## **3. Where is \_\_\_\_\_ in the prophetic puzzle?**

**Reflection:** What is one new thing you believe God spoke to you today as a result of worshipping at FOCUS?

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The Word of God directs us as we consider what the *next step* is for our lives. What is your next step?

Have you ever attempted to fit the End Times puzzle pieces together? What did you discover? What did you learn about God and His character through the message today?

After today's study, what is your attitude towards the coming of Christ Jesus? What have you been motivated to do as a result?

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**Challenge:** This week I will pray for following unsaved friend, family or co-worker(s):

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### ***Communion at FOCUS***

Every Sunday at FOCUS we celebrate the Lord's Table, also known as Communion. We have open communion which means all are invited to receive. We receive communion elements by intinction. Tearing off a small piece of the loaf of bread, dipping it in the communion glass of juice, and then consuming it immediately. Please note, upon your request, we also have gluten free elements for those with gluten and other major food allergies.

### ***FOCUS Youth Group meeting tonight! 6:30 - 8PM***

We hope to see you and any friends who don't already attend a Youth Group on Sunday evenings tonight!

### ***More Than Funny - Tour Michael Jr. March 25, 7 PM***

Tickets are between \$15-\$20 person. The event will be hosted by Central Baptist Church in Winchester. Please sign up today on the information desk if you would like tickets!

### ***Wednesday Night Meal***

We would like to invite you and your family to join us for supper this Wednesday night. The meal will be ready at 5:30 PM. You have been invited to come and share a delicious meal and uplifting fellowship with us.



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