

# Watchman

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*Blessed is the man who listens to me, Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at the posts of my doors. Proverbs 8:34*

Studies included in this article are: Watchman; Watch (Command); Watch (Times); Watch (Prayer); Watch (Position); Watch; Watch (God); Watching; Watched By God; Watched

## Watchman

2 Samuel 18:24-27 Now David was sitting between the two gates. And the [watchman](#) went up to the roof over the gate, to the wall, lifted his eyes and looked, and there was a man, running alone. Then the [watchman](#) cried out and told the king. And the king said, "If he *is* alone, *there is* news in his mouth." And he came rapidly and drew near. Then the [watchman](#) saw *another* man running, and the [watchman](#) called to the gatekeeper and said, "There is *another* man, running alone!" And the king said, "He also brings news." So the [watchman](#) said, "I think the running of the first is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok." And the king said, "He *is* a good man, and comes with good news."

2 Kings 9:17-18 Now a [watchman](#) stood on the tower in Jezreel, and he saw the company of Jehu as he came, and said, "I see a company of men." And Joram said, "Get a horseman and send him to meet them, and let him say, 'Is it peace?'" So the horseman went to meet him, and said, "Thus says the king: 'Is it peace?'" And Jehu said, "What have you to do with peace? Turn around and follow me." So the [watchman](#) reported, saying, "The messenger went to them, but is not coming back."

2 Kings 9:20 So the [watchman](#) reported, saying, "He went up to them and is not coming back; and the driving *is* like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi, for he drives furiously!"

1 Chronicles 26:16 To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came out* for the West Gate, with the Shallecheth Gate on the ascending highway—[watchman](#) opposite [watchman](#).

Job 27:18 He builds his house like a moth, Like a booth *which* a [watchman](#) makes.

Psalms 127:1 A Song of Ascents. Of Solomon. Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD guards the city, The [watchman](#) stays awake in vain.

Isaiah 21:5-6 Prepare the table, Set a [watchman](#) in the tower, Eat and drink. Arise, you princes, Anoint the shield! For thus has the Lord said to me: "Go, set a [watchman](#), Let him declare what he sees."

Isaiah 21:11-12 The burden against Dumah. He calls to me out of Seir, "[Watchman](#), what of the night? [Watchman](#), what of the night?" The [watchman](#) said, "The morning comes, and also the night. If you will inquire, inquire; Return! Come back!"

Ezekiel 3:17 Son of man, I have made you a [watchman](#) for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me.

Ezekiel 33:2 Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: 'When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and make him their [watchman](#).

Ezekiel 33:6-7 'But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, and the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes *any* person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand.' So you, son of man: I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and warn them for Me.

Hosea 9:8 The watchman of Ephraim *is* with my God; But the prophet *is* a fowler's snare in all his ways—  
Enmity in the house of his God.

Micah 7:4 The best of them *is* like a brier; The most upright *is sharper* than a thorn hedge; The day of your watchman and your punishment comes; Now shall be their perplexity.

## Watch (Command)

Deuteronomy 2:4 And command the people, saying, "You *are about to* pass through the territory of your brethren, the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir; and they will be afraid of you. Therefore watch yourselves carefully."

Judges 7:17 And he said to them, "Look at me and do likewise; watch, and when I come to the edge of the camp you shall do as I do."

Judges 21:21 And watch; and just when the daughters of Shiloh come out to perform their dances, then come out from the vineyards, and every man catch a wife for himself from the daughters of Shiloh; then go to the land of Benjamin.

1 Samuel 6:9 And watch: if it goes up the road to its own territory, to Beth Shemesh, *then* He has done us this great evil. But if not, then we shall know that *it is* not His hand *that* struck us—it happened to us by chance.

2 Samuel 13:28 Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, "Watch now, when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say to you, 'Strike Amnon!' then kill him. Do not be afraid. Have I not commanded you? Be courageous and valiant."

2 Samuel 20:21 "That *is* not so. But a man from the mountains of Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name, has raised his hand against the king, against David. Deliver him only, and I will depart from the city." So the woman said to Joab, "Watch, his head will be thrown to you over the wall."

Ezra 8:29 Watch and keep *them* until you weigh *them* before the leaders of the priests and the Levites and heads of the fathers' *houses* of Israel in Jerusalem, *in* the chambers of the house of the LORD.

Jeremiah 48:19 O inhabitant of Aroer, Stand by the way and watch; Ask him who flees And her who escapes; Say, 'What has happened?'

Nahum 2:1 He who scatters has come up before your face. Man the fort! Watch the road! Strengthen *your* flanks! Fortify *your* power mightily.

Habakkuk 1:5 Look among the nations and watch—Be utterly astounded! For *I will* work a work in your days *Which* you would not believe, though it were told *you*.

Matthew 24:42 [Watch](#) therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.

Matthew 25:13 [Watch](#) therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Matthew 26:38 Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and [watch](#) with Me."

Matthew 26:41 [Watch](#) and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.

Mark 13:9 But [watch](#) out for yourselves, for they will deliver you up to councils, and you will be beaten in the synagogues. You will be brought before rulers and kings for My sake, for a testimony to them.

Mark 13:33 Take heed, [watch](#) and pray; for you do not know when the time is.

Mark 13:34 *It is* like a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded the doorkeeper to [watch](#).

Mark 13:35 [Watch](#) therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming—in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning—

Mark 13:37 And what I say to you, I say to all: [Watch](#)!

Mark 14:34 Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, *even* to death. Stay here and [watch](#).

Mark 14:38 [Watch](#) and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak."

Luke 21:36 [Watch](#) therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Acts 20:31 Therefore [watch](#), and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.

1 Corinthians 16:13 [Watch](#), stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.

1 Thessalonians 5:6 Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but let us [watch](#) and be sober.

## **Watch (Times)**

Exodus 14:24 Now it came to pass, in the morning [watch](#), that the LORD looked down upon the army of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and cloud, and He troubled the army of the Egyptians.

Judges 7:19 So Gideon and the hundred men who *were* with him came to the outpost of the camp at the beginning of the middle [watch](#), just as they had posted the [watch](#); and they blew the trumpets and broke the pitchers that *were* in their hands.

1 Samuel 11:11 So it was, on the next day, that Saul put the people in three companies; and they came into the midst of the camp in the morning [watch](#), and killed Ammonites until the heat of the day. And it happened that those who survived were scattered, so that no two of them were left together.

Matthew 14:25 Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea.

Mark 6:48 Then He saw them straining at rowing, for the wind was against them. Now about the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea, and would have passed them by.

Luke 12:38 And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.

### Watch (Prayer)

Genesis 31:49 Also Mizpah, because he said, "May the LORD watch between you and me when we are absent one from another."

Psalms 141:3 Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; Keep watch over the door of my lips.

### Watch (Position)

2 Samuel 13:34 Then Absalom fled. And the young man who was keeping watch lifted his eyes and looked, and there, many people were coming from the road on the hillside behind him.

2 Kings 11:5 Then he commanded them, saying, "This *is* what you shall do: One-third of you who come on duty on the Sabbath shall be keeping watch over the king's house."

2 Kings 11:6 One-third *shall be* at the gate of Sur, and one-third at the gate behind the escorts. You shall keep the watch of the house, lest it be broken down.

2 Kings 11:7 The two contingents of you who go off duty on the Sabbath shall keep the watch of the house of the LORD for the king.

2 Chronicles 23:4 This *is* what you shall do: One-third of you entering on the Sabbath, of the priests and the Levites, *shall be* keeping watch over the doors.

2 Chronicles 23:6 But let no one come into the house of the LORD except the priests and those of the Levites who serve. They may go in, for they *are* holy; but all the people shall keep the watch of the LORD.

Nehemiah 4:9 Nevertheless we made our prayer to our God, and because of them we set a watch against them day and night.

Nehemiah 7:3 And I said to them, "Do not let the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun is hot; and while they stand *guard*, let them shut and bar the doors; and appoint guards from among the inhabitants of Jerusalem, one at his watch station and another in front of his own house."

Nehemiah 12:25 Mattaniah, Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, and Akkub *were* gatekeepers keeping the watch at the storerooms of the gates.

Psalms 90:4 For a thousand years in Your sight *Are* like yesterday when it is past, And *like* a watch in the night.

Habakkuk 2:1 I will stand my watch And set myself on the rampart, And watch to see what He will say to me, And what I will answer when I am corrected.

Matthew 27:36 Sitting down, they kept watch over Him there.

Luke 2:8 Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night.

## Watch

Numbers 4:20 But they shall not go in to watch while the holy things are being covered, lest they die.

1 Samuel 19:11 Saul also sent messengers to David's house to watch him and to kill him in the morning. And Michal, David's wife, told him, saying, "If you do not save your life tonight, tomorrow you will be killed."

Job 13:27 You put my feet in the stocks, And watch closely all my paths. You set a limit for the soles of my feet.

Job 14:16 For now You number my steps, But do not watch over my sin.

Psalms 130:6 My soul *waits* for the Lord More than those who watch for the morning—*Yes, more than* those who watch for the morning.

Isaiah 29:20 For the terrible one is brought to nothing, The scornful one is consumed, And all who watch for iniquity are cut off—

Jeremiah 5:6 Therefore a lion from the forest shall slay them, A wolf of the deserts shall destroy them; A leopard will watch over their cities. Everyone who goes out from there shall be torn in pieces, Because their transgressions are many; Their backslidings have increased.

Daniel 12:1 At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, Such as never was since there was a nation, *Even* to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book.

Matthew 26:40 Then He came to the disciples and found them asleep, and said to Peter, "What? Could you not watch with Me one hour?"

Mark 14:37 Then He came and found them sleeping, and said to Peter, "Simon, are you sleeping? Could you not watch one hour?"

Hebrews 13:17 Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

## Watch (God)

Proverbs 15:3 The eyes of the LORD *are* in every place, Keeping watch on the evil and the good.

Jeremiah 31:28 And it shall come to pass, *that* as I have watched over them to pluck up, to break down, to throw down, to destroy, and to afflict, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD.

Jeremiah 44:27 Behold, I will watch over them for adversity and not for good. And all the men of Judah who *are* in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by famine, until there is an end to them.

Revelation 3:3 Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.

## Watching

Judges 16:27 Now the temple was full of men and women. All the lords of the Philistines *were* there—about three thousand men and women on the roof watching while Samson performed.

1 Samuel 4:13 Now when he came, there was Eli, sitting on a seat by the wayside watching, for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city and told *it*, all the city cried out.

1 Kings 20:33 Now the men were watching closely to see whether *any sign of mercy would come* from him; and they quickly grasped *at this word* and said, "Your brother Ben-Hadad." So he said, "Go, bring him." Then Ben-Hadad came out to him; and he had him come up into the chariot.

Proverbs 8:34 Blessed is the man who listens to me, Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at the posts of my doors.

Lamentations 4:17 Still our eyes failed us, Watching vainly for our help; In our watching we watched For a nation *that* could not save *us*.

Daniel 2:31 You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor *was* excellent, stood before you; and its form *was* awesome.

Daniel 7:13 I was watching in the night visions, And behold, *One* like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.

Daniel 7:21 I was watching; and the same horn was making war against the saints, and prevailing against them.

Zechariah 11:11 So it was broken on that day. Thus the poor of the flock, who were watching me, knew that it *was* the word of the LORD.

Luke 12:37 Blessed *are* those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down *to eat*, and will come and serve them.

Luke 23:49 But all His acquaintances, and the women who followed Him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

## Watched by God

Job 29:2 Oh, that I were as *in* months past, As *in* the days *when* God watched over me.

Jeremiah 31:28 And it shall come to pass, *that* as I have watched over them to pluck up, to break down, to throw down, to destroy, and to afflict, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD.

## Watched

Exodus 33:8 So it was, whenever Moses went out to the tabernacle, *that* all the people rose, and each man stood *at* his tent door and watched Moses until he had gone into the tabernacle.

1 Samuel 1:12 And it happened, as she continued praying before the LORD, that Eli watched her mouth.

Psalms 59:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to "Do Not Destroy." A Michtam of David when Saul sent men, and they watched the house in order to kill him. Deliver me from my enemies, O my God; Defend me from those who rise up against me.

Jeremiah 20:10 For I heard many mocking: "Fear on every side!" "Report," *they say*, "and we will report it!" All my acquaintances watched for my stumbling, *saying*, "Perhaps he can be induced; Then we will prevail against him, And we will take our revenge on him."

Lamentations 4:17 Still our eyes failed us, *Watching* vainly for our help; In our watching we watched For a nation *that* could not save *us*.

Ezekiel 10:2 Then He spoke to the man clothed with linen, and said, "Go in among the wheels, under the cherub, fill your hands with coals of fire from among the cherubim, and scatter *them* over the city." And he went in as I watched.

Daniel 2:34 You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.

Daniel 7:4 The first *was* like a lion, and had eagle's wings. I watched till its wings were plucked off; and it was lifted up from the earth and made to stand on two feet like a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

Daniel 7:9 I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment *was* white as snow, And the hair of His head *was* like pure wool. His throne *was* a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire.

Daniel 7:11 I watched then because of the sound of the pompous words which the horn was speaking; I watched till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed and given to the burning flame.

Matthew 24:43 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into.

Mark 3:2 So they watched Him closely, whether He would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse Him.

Luke 6:7 So the scribes and Pharisees watched Him closely, whether He would heal on the Sabbath, that they might find an accusation against Him.

Luke 12:39 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into.

Luke 14:1 Now it happened, as He went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees to eat bread on the Sabbath, that they watched Him closely.

Luke 20:20 So they watched Him, and sent spies who pretended to be righteous, that they might seize on His words, in order to deliver Him to the power and the authority of the governor.

Acts 1:9 Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.

Acts 9:24 But their plot became known to Saul. And they watched the gates day and night, to kill him.

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