

5 Commands for Thriving, pt 1

1 Corinthians 16:13

Sinkhole syndrome

Thriving in the midst of a deceptive world

Watchfulness

= to watch, be awake, vigilant;

Figuratively = to be alive (see 1 Thes 5:10)

1. Alert to the schemes of Satan

1 Peter 5:8

Ephesians 6:11

Proactive protection

Prepared & aware, not preoccupied

2. Alert to temptation

Mark 14:38

3. Alert to apathy and indifference

Revelation 3:1-3

Are you anesthetized or activated?

4. Alert to false teachers

Acts 20:28-31

On guard & alert

They are fierce and twisted sheep stealers

5. Alert to the Lord's return

1 Thessalonians 5:4-6

2 Peter 3:10-13

Critical issues: readiness and godliness

6. Alert in prayer

Ephesians 6:18

Colossians 4:2

Take it home