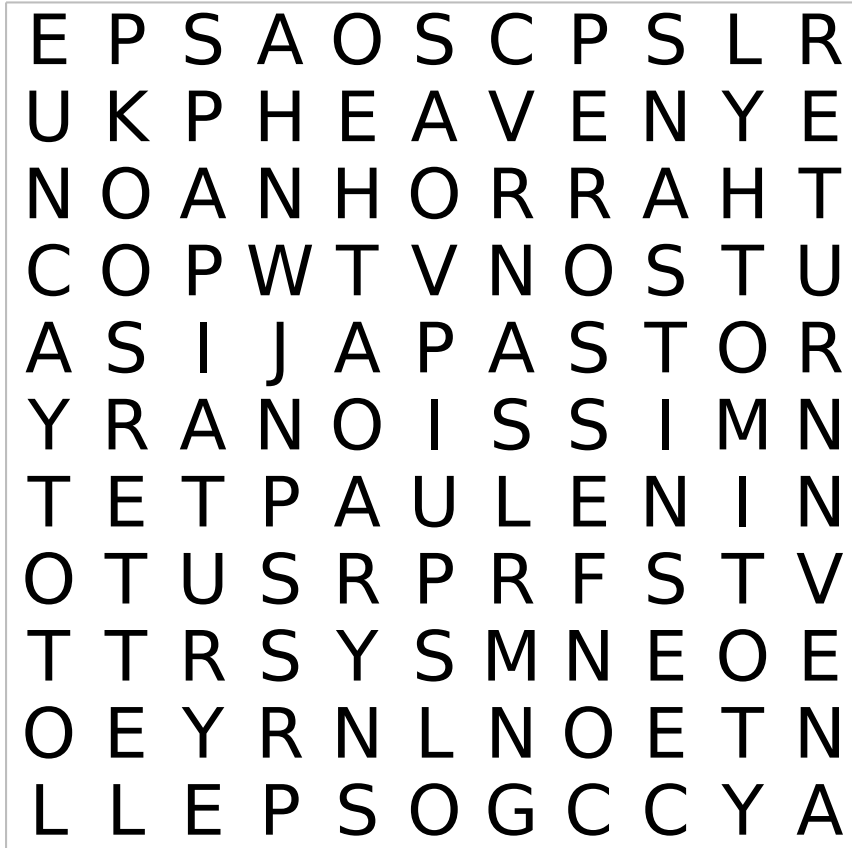


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# LESSONS FOR LAMBS

**ST. TIMOTHY, PASTOR AND CONFESSOR (JANUARY 24)**

*The color for St. Timothy, Pastor and Confessor, is white.*



### What to listen for during the service?

Listen for when we hear about Jesus' return and about heaven. What do you hear about these things?

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## **Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:42-47**

*(The Gospel Reading is from the part of the Bible that is about Jesus and his ministry.)*

42 [Jesus said,] "Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 43 But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. 44 Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

45 "Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom his master has set over his household, to give them their food at the proper time? 46 Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. 47 Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions."

### **Questions to talk about with your parents:**

- 1) Why did Jesus say to "stay awake"? What does that mean? Should you ever sleep?
- 2) What can we do to get "ready" for when the "Son of Man" returns? What can we read?
- 3) God has given us His creation to take care of? What can we do to take care of other people? What should we tell them?
- 4) Should we busy ourselves with the things of this world or with the things of heaven?

### **People of the Bible: Timothy**

Today we celebrate the feast of St. Timothy. But who was Timothy? When Paul visited Timothy's hometown of Lystra on a missionary journey, he asked Timothy to join him as a traveling companion and co-worker during his journeys. Timothy worked alongside of Paul as they proclaimed the Gospel of Christ to the people. Sometimes Paul would send Timothy on a missionary journey alone, and sometimes they would work together in the same place as pastors proclaiming the Good News about Christ. Paul wrote two letters to Timothy, which are a part of the Bible (1 Timothy & 2 Timothy), in order to encourage Timothy in his missionary journeys as well as continue to train him in God's Word.

### **HYMN – "God of the Prophets, Bless the Prophets' Sons"**

- 1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets' sons;  
Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast.  
Each age its solemn task may claim but once;  
Make each one nobler, stronger than the last.
- 2 Anoint them prophets, men who are intent  
To be Your witnesses in word and deed,  
Their hearts aflame, their lips made eloquent,  
Their eyes awake to ev'ry human need.
- 3 Anoint them priests, strong intercessors they,  
For pardon and for love and hope and peace,  
That, through their pleading, guilty sinners may  
Find Jesus' mercy and from sin release.
- 4 Anoint them kings, yes, kingly kings, O Lord.  
Anoint them with the Spirit of Your Son.  
Theirs not a jeweled crown, a blood-stained sword;  
Theirs, by sweet love, for Christ a kingdom won.
- 5 Make them apostles, heralds of Your cross;  
Forth let them go to tell the world of grace.  
Inspired by You, may they count all but loss  
And stand at last with joy before Your face.

### **Draw a picture of the Son of Man coming back at an hour we do not expect**

