

# 1. The tragedies of sleeping...

#### A. Sampson

Judges 16:20 And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

### B. Jonah

▶ Jonah 1:6 So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not.

## C. The Disciples

- Luke 22:45-46 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,
  - ▶ 46 And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.

# 2. Over-sleeping

1 Peter 5:8

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

# A. Inactivity

Proverbs 6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

#### B. Unconsciousness to God's purpose in us!

▶I Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

## C. Over indulgence in the secular

▶ Prov. 4:23 NIV- Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

►KJV- Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

# 3. There are some things which should keep us AWAKE

## A. The Church

Matt 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

#### B. Christ is coming again

I Thess. 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

# C. Every one shall give account Romans 14:12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

