

# Don't be Foolish. Prepare!

Matthew 25:1-13 (Prophecies of Jesus)

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Jesus' parables describing what 'being on the alert' entails for 3 types of believers (24:45-25:30)

1. Ministers of the Gospel (message on 8/13/17)
  - 1) The faithful and wise servant
  - 2) The wicked [imposter] servant
2. Ten virgins = \_\_\_\_\_?\_\_\_\_\_ (today's message)

What we believe: "The coming of Christ, at a time known only to God, \_\_\_\_\_ and, as our blessed hope, motivates the believer to godly living, sacrificial service and energetic mission." (Statement of Faith #9b)  
...you know neither the day nor the hour" (Mt. 25:13)  
...day and hour no one knows... (24:36)  
...you do not know on what day... (24:42)  
...day when he does not expect... hour he does not know (24:50)

- Understanding the picture (v. 1) in Matt. 25:1-13
- Two kinds of people: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. Foolish virgins

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ of them were in this category (v. 2)
- b. They took lamps (v. 3a)
- c. They took \_\_\_\_\_ oil (v. 3b)
- d. They got tired and fell asleep (v. 5b)

## 2. Wise virgins

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ of them were in this category (v. 2)
- b. They took lamps (v. 4 – [implied])
- c. They took \_\_\_\_\_ oil (v. 4)

d. They got tired and fell asleep (v. 5b)

3. Bridegroom

a. He was \_\_\_\_\_ longer than anyone expected

b. A \_\_\_\_\_ was made for folks to come meet the bridegroom (v. 6)

- Note similarity to the angels call in 24:31

2. The response to the call (v. 7-9)

a. They all \_\_\_\_\_! (v. 7a)

b. Lamps without \_\_\_\_\_ give no light! (v. 7b)

c. The foolish expect the wise to solve their problem (v. 8)

d. The wise recognize they can't help (v. 9)

3. The marriage feast (v. 10-12)

a. Those who were \_\_\_\_\_ went in (v. 10)

b. The door was \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 10c)

- Note similarity to Noah's Ark (24:38-39)

c. The fools were not \_\_\_\_\_ by the bridegroom (v. 11-12)

4. The application: \_\_\_\_\_, for you know neither the day nor the hour! (v. 13)

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## 1. Foolish virgins

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  - c. The fools were not **known** by the bridegroom (v. 11-12)
5. The application: **WATCH**, for you know neither the day nor the hour! (v. 13)