



“The Parable of the 10 Virgins”

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- 1) Jesus delivers this parable after intense confrontation in Matthew 23 and just before the cross. How does knowing this is part of His final teachings change the seriousness with which we should read it?
- 2) Why do you think Jesus chooses to give a warning immediately after the disciples are admiring the temple and thinking about external beauty and stability?
- 3) What are some modern ways people assume they are “ready” for God, when in reality they may not be?
- 4) Jesus says to the unprepared, “I do not know you.” What do you think He means by “know” in this context—not intellectually, but relationally?
- 5) How can someone be involved in religious activity yet still miss a real relationship with Jesus?
- 6) Why couldn’t the wise virgins share their oil? What does this teach about personal responsibility in salvation and spiritual readiness?
- 7) In what ways do people today rely on others’ faith (family, church, upbringing) instead of developing their own relationship with Jesus?
- 8) The bridegroom was delayed, and all of them became drowsy. What does this suggest about how waiting on God can affect even sincere believers?
- 9) Why do people tend to delay spiritual decisions?
- 10) How does the promise of the Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19) shape the way we should live right now?
- 11) What does it mean to you personally to live as someone invited into God’s eternal celebration?

Relationship Check-Up

- 1) Jesus’ invitation is ultimately relational: “I know you.” What practices help deepen a real relationship with Him instead of just religious familiarity?
- 2) What is one habit or discipline you could strengthen this week to grow closer to Jesus (prayer, Scripture, obedience, community, repentance, worship)?

Homework: Read Matthew Chapters 24 and 25