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"THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS"

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Parable #10

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Matthew 25:1-13

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- :1 "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. ³ Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, ⁴ but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. ⁵ But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. :6 "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' ⁷ Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ And the foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹ But the wise answered, saying, "No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' ¹⁰ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut.
- :11 "Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' 12 But he answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' :13 "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS

1.) Know what you believe

v.1-5

:1 "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

We are living at a time of awesome biblical relevance.

While the world is marching on in its progressiveness, it's doing so exactly as the Bible predicted and described.

We need to remember church that – 27% of the Bible is what's called, Eschatological, meaning that ¼ of Bible reveals events that will happen – in advance. Before certain events will take place, God's Bible tells us about them before they come to pass. (Bible Prophecy)

In Fact, one of those pre-recorded prophecies comes from the Apostle Peter where God warns us by saying...

2 Peter 3:3-4

knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, **4** and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."

The Point of this Parable is Not About Pre-Trib, Mid-Trib, Post-Trib Views, It's not about the Difference between the Rapture vs. The Second Coming.

But It's Good for Us to Pause Here to be Reminded.

As The Church is Concerned - The Rapture is The Next Prophetic Event

Luke 12:42-46

And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? 43 Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. 44 Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has. 45 But if that servant says in his heart, "My master is delaying his coming," (the result of that thinking is) and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, 46 the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.

Here's the question that arises with "he is appointed with the unbelievers", Was this man ever born again at all?

(personally – I do not believe this man was saved because of his heart-doctrine. He didn't expect to see his master's imminent return.)

I have been convinced from the scriptures that;

One of the Hallmarks of a Christian Life proofs, is the understanding from the scriptures that Jesus Christ could return bodily for His church.

1 John 3:1-3

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

Prv. 29:18 ESV

Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint,

Titus 2:13

looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

1 Th. 4:13-18

But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. :14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. :15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. :16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. :17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. :18 Therefore comfort one another with these words. = expect it!

Expectation of His Return

John 14:1-3

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. :2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. :3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

Luke 21:34-36

"Be careful, because your hearts could be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of this life, and that day will close in on you unexpectedly like a trap. :35 For it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth. :36 Be always on the watch, and pray that you may escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

Paul Confirms The Expectation for Christ's Return

1Th. 1:10

"..wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

1Th. 2:19

For what *is* our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? *Is it* not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming?

1Th. 3:13

so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

And again 1Th. 4:13-18

1Thes. 5:1-9

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. 2 For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. 3 For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. 4 But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. 5 You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. 7 For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. 8 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

BTW – there is a powerful argument from silence.

The Church is mentioned **20 times** in the book of Revelation. **19 times** before chapter 4. and **1 time** more in chapter 22.

Rev. 3:10

Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

The Rapture and the Second Coming are Mutually Exclusive (One is a blessing. The other a terror)

1 Cor. 15:51-52

Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be **changed** - :52 in a moment, in the **twinkling of an eye**, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be **changed**. (ἀλλάσσω **allasso**, *al-las´-so;* to take something and make something different out of it. To change what was into what is).

ls. 26:19-21a

Your dead shall live; *Together with* my dead body they shall arise. Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust; For your dew *is like* the dew of herbs, And the earth shall cast out the dead. :20 Come, my people, enter your chambers, And shut your doors behind you; Hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment, Until the indignation *(wrath)* is past. :21 For behold, the LORD comes out of His place To punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity;

Phil. 3:20-21

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also **eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, :21 who will transform our lowly body** that it may be conformed to His glorious body,

This might be a good time for me to point out the different dispensations of believers throughout the ages.

There have been believers since Adam and Eve but the Bible divides them up in different periods of time throughout history.

Behind Door #1 – are the Old Testament Era Saints

1 Cor. 15:50-53

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. :51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed - :52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. :53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

2 Thes.2:1-3

Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, 2 not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come. 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, (theologians are split on this word here for "to fall away" because it could have a dual meaning - departure by apathy - departure by rapture)

2 Peter 3:3-4

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The Great Bible Expositor, Donald Grey Barnhouse wrote a parody to the old hymn;

Is It The Crowning Day?

Jesus may come today, Glad day! Glad day!
And I would see my friend; Dangers and troubles would end
If Jesus should come today.

Glad day! Glad day! Is it the crowning day?
I'll live for today, nor anxious be,
Jesus, my Lord, I soon shall see;

This Ain't The Crowning Day

Jesus cannot come today Sad day! Sad day!

And I won't see my friend; Dangers and troubles won't end
Because Jesus can't come today.

Sad day! Sad day! Today is not the crowning day?
I won't live for today, and anxious I'll be,
The Beast and the False Prophet I soon shall see,
Sad day! Sad day! Today is not the crowning day!

Let's Pray Tonight For a Greater Revelation of God

I Wanna Invite You to Come Forward Tonight

>>>> The Cross, The Christ, The Call <<<<



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