Jesus' Parable of The Ten Virgins v2

We must be watchful and diligently preparing for Jesus' final coming

Introduction

- A parable is an earthly story designed to teach a spiritual lesson through a comparison
- Many parables focused on the nature of the kingdom of God, its King and its citizens
- Today, Jesus' church is the visible manifestation of His kingdom

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- The parable of the ten virgins is only found in Matthew
- The parable teaches that Jesus' disciples must be constantly watchful and preparing for His coming because we do not know the hour in which He will return

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Background to The Parable of The Ten Virgins

Mat 24:1 Jesus came out from the temple and was going away when His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him.

Mat 24:2 And He said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone here will be left upon another, which will not be torn down."

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Mat 24:3 As He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"

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Mat 24:34 "Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

Mat 24:35 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

Mat 24:36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.

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Mat 24:42 "Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming.

Mat 24:43 "But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.

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Mat 24:44 "For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will.

Mat 24:45 "Who then is the faithful and sensible slave whom his master put in charge of his household to give them their food at the proper time?

Mat 24:46 "Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes.

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Mat 25:1 "Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

Mat 25:2 "Five of them were foolish, and five were prudent.

Mat 25:3 "For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them,

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Mat 25:4 but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps.

Mat 25:5 "Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep.

Mat 25:6 "But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

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Mat 25:7 "Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps.

Mat 25:8 "The foolish said to the prudent, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.'

Mat 25:9 "But the prudent answered, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.'

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Mat 25:10 "And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut.

Mat 25:11 "Later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.'

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Mat 25:12 "But he answered, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.'

Mat 25:13 "Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

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2Pe 3:3 Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts,

2Pe 3:4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation."

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2Pe 3:5 For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water,

2Pe 3:6 through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water.

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2Pe 3:7 But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

2Pe 3:8 But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.

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2Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.

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2Pe 3:11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

2Pe 3:12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat!

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2Pe 3:13 But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

2Pe 3:14 Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,

1Jn 1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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2Pe 3:17 You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness,

2Pe 3:18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

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1Th 5:1 Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you.

1Th 5:2 For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night.

1Th 5:3 While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape.

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1Th 5:4 But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief;

1Th 5:5 for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness;

1Th 5:6 so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober.

Righteousness Is Not Transferable

Eze 18:18 "As for his father, because he practiced extortion, robbed his brother and did what was not good among his people, behold, he will die for his iniquity.

Eze 18:19 "Yet you say, 'Why should the son not bear the punishment for the father's iniquity?' When the son has practiced justice and righteousness and has observed all My statutes and done them, he shall surely live.

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Eze 18:20 "The person who sins will die. The son will not bear the punishment for the father's iniquity, nor will the father bear the punishment for the son's iniquity; the righteousness of the righteous will be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked will be upon himself.

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2Ti 1:5 For I am mindful of the sincere faith within you, which first dwelt in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am sure that it is in you as well.

2Ti 1:6 For this reason I remind you to kindle afresh the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

2Ti 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline.

No Second Chances After Jesus' Coming

Heb 9:27 And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment,

Heb 9:28 so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.