

## LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

# THE OLIVET DISCOURSE: LIVING FAITHFULLY UNTIL JESUS RETURNS

**Sermon Text:** Matthew 25:1-13

**Date:** October 11, 2026

### OVERVIEW

Jesus calls us to be ready for His return—not merely by identifying ourselves as Christians, but through genuine faith in Him that bears fruit in a life of faithfulness. We cannot inherit someone else’s relationship with Christ or make ourselves worthy of Him; salvation is by grace through faith in Christ alone. Because Jesus has given Himself for us, we are called to know Him, trust Him, and live faithfully as we joyfully await His return.

**Related Scriptures:** Matthew 7:21-23; 2 Timothy 2:19; John 10:14-15; Revelation 3:20

**Read:** Matthew 25:1-13

1. What stood out to you from the sermon or passage?
2. All ten bridesmaids were waiting for the bridegroom, but only five were truly prepared for his arrival. What does this distinction teach us about the difference between simply identifying as a Christian and genuinely knowing and following Christ?
3. One of the ways Pastor Jared mentioned we can practically grow in preparedness was establishing healthy spiritual habits and disciplines (Regularly spending time in Scripture, prayer, biblical community, Sunday worship, serving, repentance, reconciliation, etc.). What does it look like to pursue these things as a response to God’s grace rather than as an attempt to earn His favor?

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