

## Reflecting on “The 10 Bridesmaids” Matthew 25:1-13 | March 24, 2024

### DISCUSS

- 1) Read **Matthew 24:1-3**. What was Jesus talking about right before he gave these parables? What specific questions did the disciples ask?
- 2) According to **Matthew 24:36-39**. What does Jesus have to say about knowing when He will return? What time period did he compare this to as an example and why?
- 3) In **Matthew 25:1-5** what was the expectation of these bridesmaids that they would be prepared to do? How does this compare to our being prepared for the coming of the Lord?
- 4) **According to verse 1 - 5** what are some lessons on being witnesses to a lost world that should motivate us as we look forward to Christ’s return?

- 5) In **Matthew 25:5a** the bridegroom was delayed. According to Matthew 24:4-14 what kind of life could the disciples expect as they waited for Christ's return. What kind of faith do we need to have as we see these days approaching?
- 6) **Matthew 25:8 - 12** tells us that the foolish virgins were excluded from the banquet and the bridegroom said "I do not know you". Staying true to scripture, who would we compare these to and how should that be a warning to us?
- 7) **Matthew 25:13** tells us to "watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." If we take these words to heart how should being ready for the Lord's return change how we view everyday life and our values?
- 8) According to **Matthew 25:31 - 46** not everyone is going to be allowed to go into Christ's Kingdom. In these verses what is Christ the King looking for our faith to lead us to do?