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Bible Passage: Matthew 25:1-13

Sermon #3

Today's Big Idea

A key to revival is to cultivate oil. Your oil indicates your intimacy with God and is birthed in the crushing. It's cultivated in the daily.

Main points:

- When Jesus uses the word "virgins" in these verses He is talking about the church. 2 Cor. 5:17
- The word "lamp" speaks of the ministry that each virgins/church must do. You are to bring the light of God to others. Matt. 5:15-16
- Jesus is the bridegroom, and we are called to meet Him. Rev. 22:17
- Jesus is our King, Bridegroom, and Judge. Rev. 19:11-21
- The oil speaks of the presence of the Spirit of God in our lives. 1 John 2:20

- The fools were the ones who did not continue to cultivate intimacy with God.
- Intimacy with Jesus cannot be shared. It must be cultivated. You need to do it for yourself.
- We get the oil by pursuing God. It's about a relationship with the Creator.
- We get oil through the crushing of life.
- Don't compare yourself to others. Remember God looks on the inside not the outside.
- It is not about the lamp or what it looks like. It is about the amount of oil inside. 1 Sam. 16:7
- Realize that you are different and that's good.
- Don't pursue ministry before acquiring your oil.
- Say "yes" to the daily. Luke 16:10
- An offended heart will block you from obtaining oil.
- It all begins with intimacy.

Action Step:

Make a decision to pursue intimacy with God. Ask Him to cultivate oil inside of you and to help you not compare your oil with others. Asking Him to stir a hunger for revival in your heart and start crying out for revival at Hope Chapel.