"WHO THEN IS THE FAITHFUL AND WISE SERVANT, WHOM HIS MASTER HAS SET OVER HIS HOUSEHOLD, TO GIVE THEM THEIR FOOD AT THE PROPER TIME? BLESSED IS THAT SERVANT WHOM HIS MASTER WILL FIND SO DOING WHEN HE COMES. TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, HE WILL SET HIM OVER ALL HIS POSSESSIONS. BUT IF THAT WICKED SERVANT SAYS TO HIMSELF, 'MY MASTER IS

DELAYED,' AND BEGINS TO BEAT HIS FELLOW SERVANTS AND EATS AND DRINKS WITH DRUNKARDS, THE MASTER OF THAT SERVANT WILL COME ON A DAY WHEN HE DOES NOT EXPECT HIM AND AT AN HOUR HE DOES NOT KNOW AND WILL CUT HIM IN PIECES AND PUT HIM WITH THE HYPOCRITES. IN THAT PLACE THERE WILL BE WEEPING AND GNASHING OF TEETH.

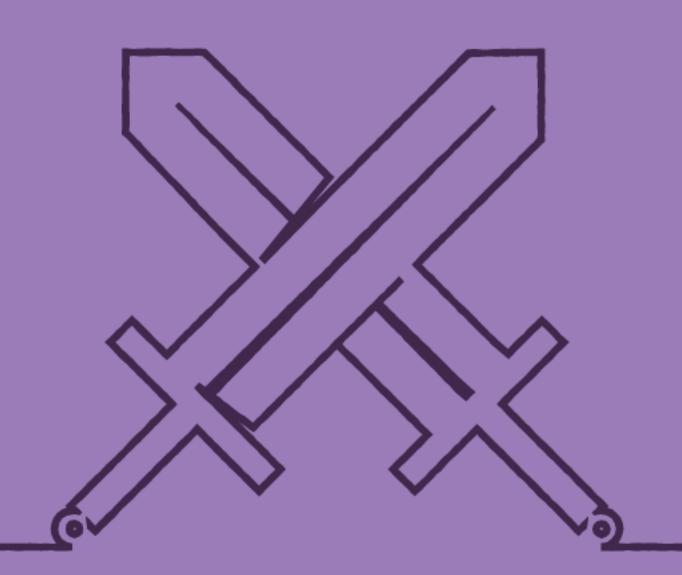
"THEN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN WILL BE LIKE TEN VIRGINS WHO TOOK THEIR LAMPS AND WENT TO MEET THE BRIDEGROOM. FIVE OF THEM WERE FOOLISH, AND FIVE WERE WISE. FOR WHEN THE FOOLISH TOOK THEIR LAMPS, THEY TOOK NO OIL WITH THEM, BUT THE WISE TOOK FLASKS OF OIL WITH THEIR LAMPS. AS THE BRIDEGROOM WAS DELAYED, THEY ALL BECAME

DROWSY AND SLEPT. BUT AT MIDNIGHT THERE WAS A CRY, 'HERE IS THE BRIDEGROOM! COME OUT TO MEET HIM.' THEN ALL THOSE VIRGINS ROSE AND TRIMMED THEIR LAMPS. AND THE FOOLISH SAID TO THE WISE, 'GIVE US SOME OF YOUR OIL, FOR OUR LAMPS ARE GOING OUT.' BUT THE WISE ANSWERED, SAYING, 'SINCE THERE WILL NOT BE ENOUGH FOR US AND FOR YOU, GO

RATHER TO THE DEALERS AND BUY FOR YOURSELVES.' AND WHILE THEY WERE GOING TO BUY, THE BRIDEGROOM CAME, AND THOSE WHO WERE READY WENT IN WITH HIM TO THE MARRIAGE FEAST, AND THE DOOR WAS SHUT. AFTERWARD THE OTHER VIRGINS CAME ALSO, SAYING, 'LORD, LORD, OPEN TO US.' BUT HE ANSWERED, 'TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, I DO NOT KNOW

'TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, I DO NOT KNOW YOU.' WATCH THEREFORE, FOR YOU KNOW NEITHER THE DAY NOR THE HOUR.

### Matthew



THE CLASH OF THE KINGDOMS



• ERROR #1 - OBSESSING OVER JESUS' RETURN TOO MUCH



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   TOO MUCH
- ERROR #2 NOT THINKING ABOUT JESUS'
  RETURN AT ALL



• THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SERVANTS

(24:45-51)



HE WILL CUT HIM IN PIECES AND PUT HIM WITH THE HYPOCRITES. IN THAT PLACE THERE WILL BE WEEPING AND GNASHING OF TEETH.



**MATTHEW 24:51** 

FOR THE ONE WHO SOWS TO HIS OWN FLESH WILL FROM THE FLESH REAP CORRUPTION, BUT THE ONE WHO SOWS TO THE SPIRIT WILL FROM THE SPIRIT REAP ETERNAL LIFE

**GALATIANS 6:8** 

- THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SERVANTS (24:45-51)
- THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS (25:1-13)



 HOW YOU WAIT REVEALS WHO YOU'RE WAITING FOR



- HOW YOU WAIT REVEALS WHO YOU'RE WAITING FOR
- HOW YOU WAIT SETS A TRAJECTORY FOR YOUR SOUL



MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE, AND I KNOW THEM, AND THEY FOLLOW ME. I GIVE THEM ETERNAL LIFE, AND THEY WILL NEVER PERISH, AND NO ONE WILL SNATCH THEM OUT OF MY HAND. MY FATHER, WHO HAS GIVEN THEM TO ME, IS GREATER THAN ALL, AND NO ONE IS ABLE TO SNATCH THEM OUT OF THE FATHER'S HAND.

JOHN 10:27-29

AND I AM SURE OF THIS, THAT HE WHO BEGAN A GOOD WORK IN YOU WILL BRING IT TO COMPLETION AT THE DAY OF JESUS CHRIST.



PHILIPPIANS 1:6

FOR I AM SURE THAT NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE, NOR ANGELS NOR RULERS, NOR THINGS PRESENT NOR THINGS TO COME, NOR POWERS, NOR HEIGHT NOR DEPTH, NOR ANYTHING ELSE IN ALL CREATION, WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD.

**ROMANS 8:38-39** 



# IF WE ARE FAITHLESS, HE REMAINS FAITHFUL—FOR HE CANNOT DENY HIMSELF.



**1 TIMOTHY 2:13** 



- HOW YOU WAIT REVEALS WHO YOU'RE WAITING FOR
- HOW YOU WAIT SETS A TRAJECTORY FOR YOUR SOUL
- WHEN YOU KNOW THE LAST DAY IS COMING, IT SHAPES HOW YOU VIEW THE PRESENT



