Today's Message

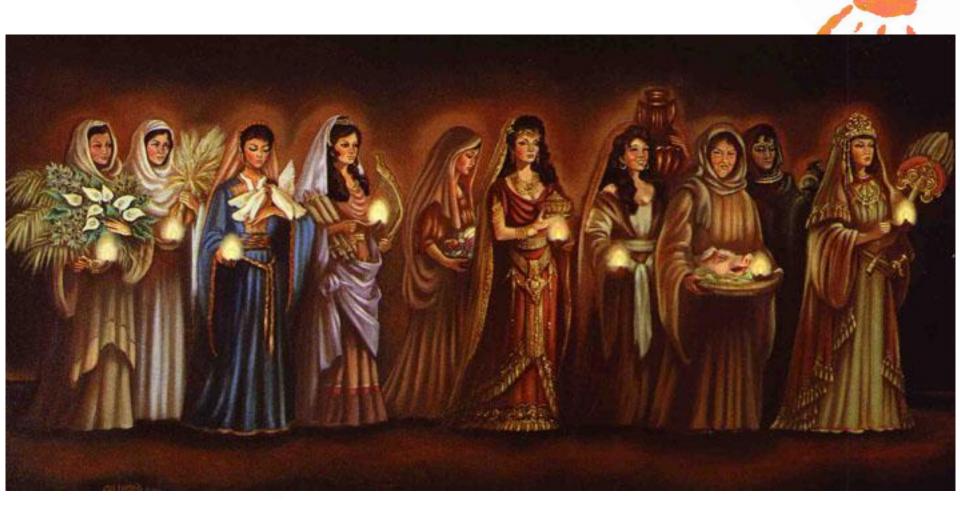
The Parable of Ten Virgins

Scripture Matthew 26 1:-13





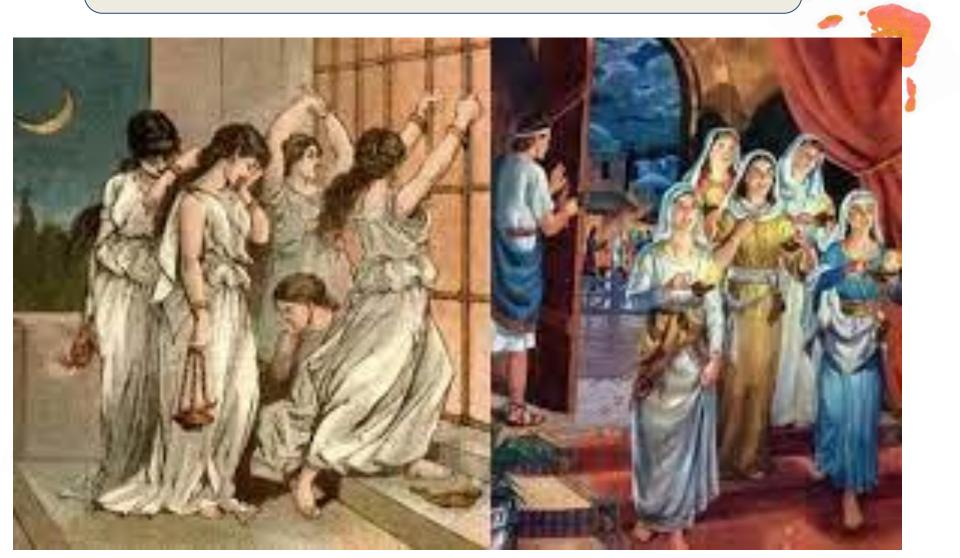
At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps



and went out to meet the bridegroom.



Five of them were foolish and five were wise.



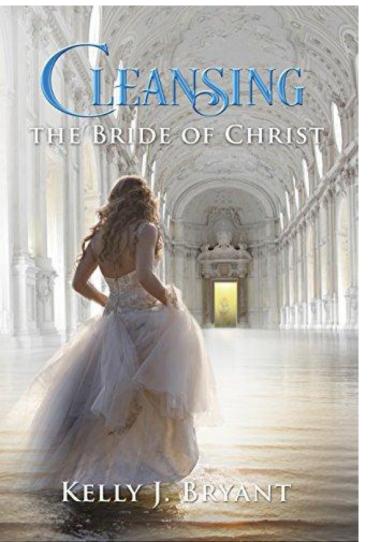
The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them.

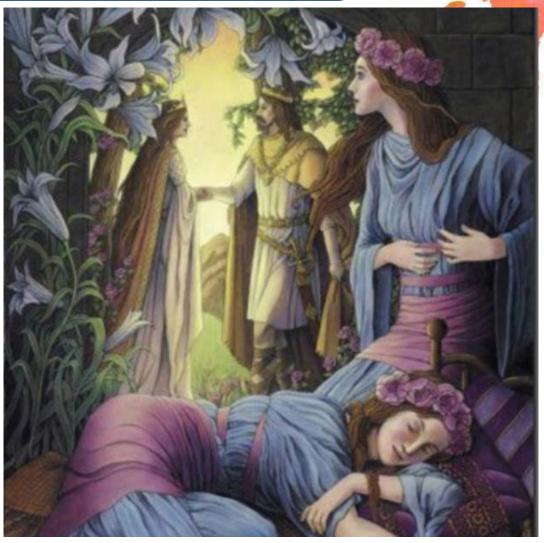


The wise, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps..



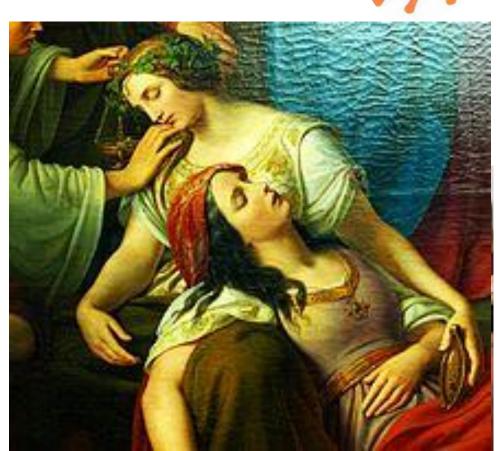
The bridegroom was a long time in coming,





and they all became drowsy and fell asleep..





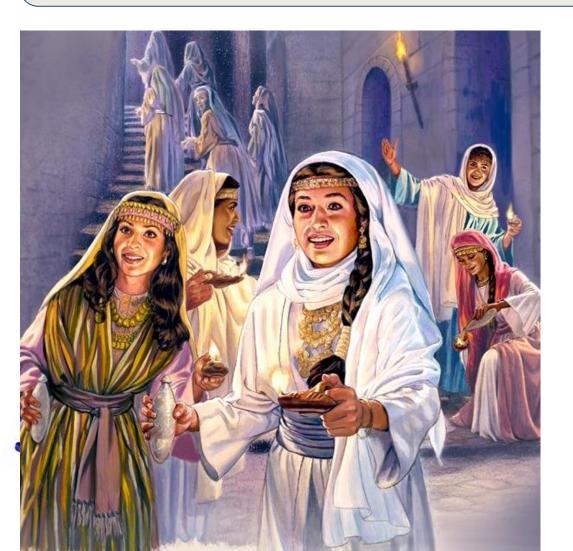
At midnight the cry rang out:



'Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!



Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps.





The foolish ones said to the wise,

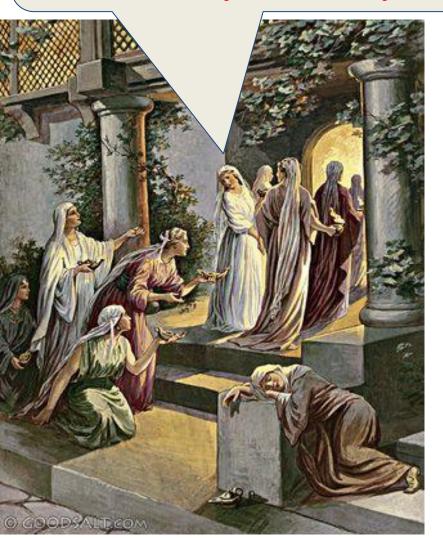
'Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.'



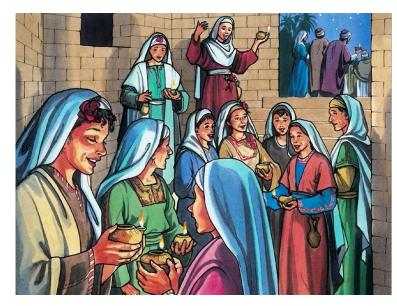


they replied,

'No, there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.'







But while they were on their way to buy the oil,

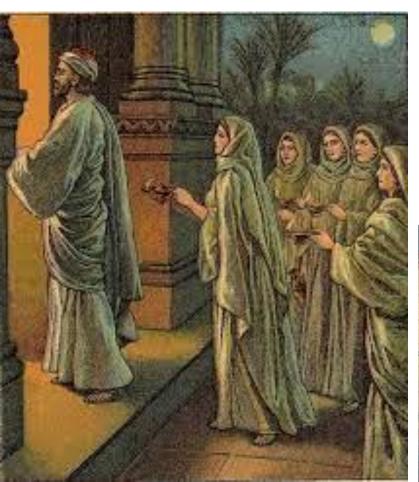




the bridegroom arrived.



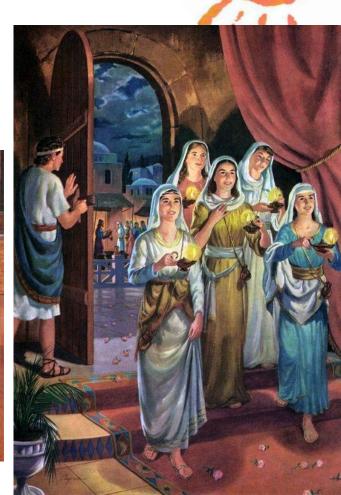
The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet.





And the door was shut.





Later the others also came. they said.

'Sir! Sir! Open the door for us!'





Mat25:12 NIV

But he replied,

'I tell you the truth, I don't know you.



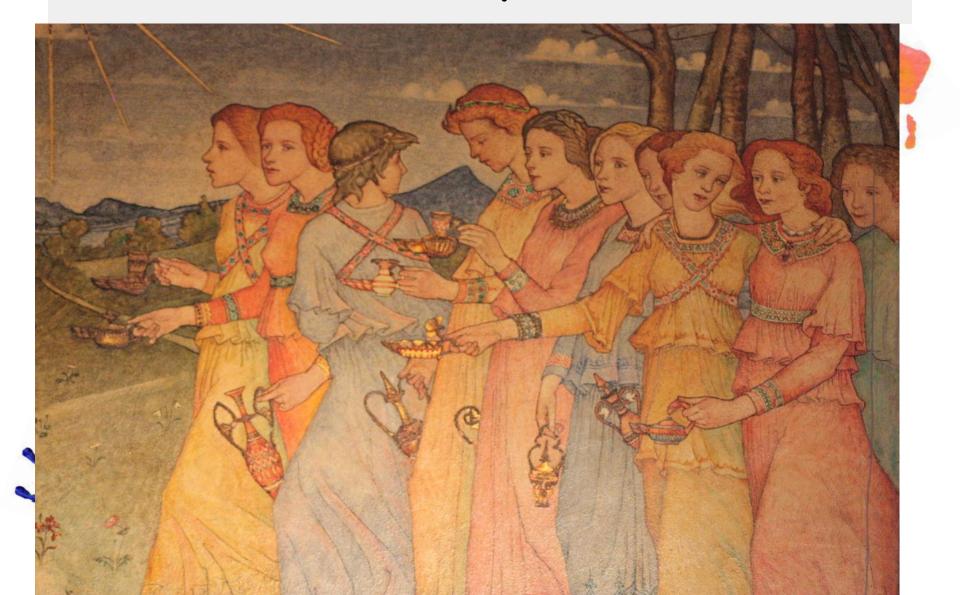


Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.





What does the parable mean?



- 1. In this parable, Jesus Christ is the bridegroom, echoing the Old Testament image of God as the bridegroom in Jeremiah 2:2 and the Song of Songs.
- 2. The ten virgins are the Christians.
- 3. The awaited event is the Second Coming of Christ.



The parable tells that Christians must keep watch all the time, because they do not know the day or the hour.

What can we learn from the parable?



Christians must keep watch all the time, because we do not know the day or the hour.

Jesus Said:



No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

Mak13:32 NIV

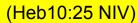


What can we do from the learning of parable?

- Pray every day every meal at home.
- Join the Bible Study every week.
- Attend the Sunday Worship every week.
- Keep personal Bible Study every day.
- Thinking the Word of God whenever having time.

Hebrew 10:25 NIV

Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another -- and all the more as you see the Day approaching.









Let us pray



Heavenly Father,

Thank you for gathering us under your wings. Thank you for your teaching and warning. We love you.

Many times we feel tired, drowsy, and sleep away. In this world, it's full of temptation and heresy. We ask your Holy Spirit be with us all the time. Keep us from temptation but deliver us from the evil one. May you help us to keep watch in our life all the time.

May your Kingdom come and your name be glorified. Pray in name of Jesus, Amen



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