

Matthew 25:1-13 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

- <sup>2</sup> And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.
- <sup>3</sup>They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:
- <sup>4</sup> But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.
- <sup>5</sup> While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.
- <sup>6</sup> And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

- <sup>7</sup>Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.
- <sup>8</sup> And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.
- <sup>9</sup>But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.
- <sup>10</sup> And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.
- <sup>11</sup> Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.
- <sup>12</sup> But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.
- <sup>13</sup> Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

## A foolish servant is:

- Built on sinking sand
- Someone who can hear but doesn't
- Inconsistent
- Lukewarm



## A wise servant is:

- Built on a solid foundation
- Consistently faithful to their master.
- Careful to hear the master's words
- Deliberate







1. Answer the call to WAKE.

Ephesians 5:14

Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.



## 2. Be prepared.

Isaiah 55:1-3

Everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

2 Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

3 Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.



## 3. Establish yourself.

Matthew 7:24-26

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

26 And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

