**Matthew 25**

1. **Parable of the ten virgins (verses 1-13)**
   1. A warning to be watchful and ready
   2. “Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish(Matthew 25:1-13).”
   3. The faithful are ready and the unfaithful are unprepared for their Lord’s return.
2. **Parable of the talents (verses 14-30)**
   1. We are to be ready and watchful, however it is not a passive wait. We should always find ourselves working faithfully and diligently for our Lord.
   2. “For *the kingdom of heaven is* like a man traveling to a far country, *who* called his own servants and delivered his goods to them (Matthew 25:14).”
   3. A day of settling accounts came.
   4. The work of the faithful is greatly rewarded, while the wick is punished.
3. **Sheep and goats (verses 31-46)**
   1. “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the [[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+25&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-24040c)]holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. **32**All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats. **33**And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left (Matthew 25:31-33).”
   2. Jesus will judge.
   3. He will separate the good (faithful) from the evil (unfaithful).