



Logos Class – Parables in Matthew

Prepare for the Wedding

Aug 30, 2020

On campus
Class

Jim & Vicki Lay

Meets at 9:15AM in Modular 5, Room 1

Agenda for today's class

- Zoom meeting
- Open chat room from 9:00am to 9:10am
- 9:10-9:20 Prayer time and updates
 - Welcome our guests today
- 9:15 – 10:20 ish
- Two topics –
 - ICYMI
 - Being Prepared
- Prayer
- Church service

Calendar moving forward

- ✓ July 12 – Phil Ch2B - Zoom
- ✓ July 19 – Phil Ch 3 - Zoom
- ✓ July 26 – Phil Ch 4 - Zoom
- ✓ Aug 2 – Book of Joel Ch 1 - Zoom
- ✓ Aug 9 - Book of Joel Ch 2 - Zoom
- ✓ Aug 16 - Book of Joel – Ch 3 - Zoom
- ✓ Aug 23 End Time Q&A; DVD discussion - On Campus Mod 1 Room 1
- ✓ Aug 26 – Wednesday 6:00pm-8:00pm DVD Before the Wrath
- ✓ **Aug 30 Being Prepared- Zoom only**
- Sep 6 – On Campus Carroll Springer
- Sep 13– ZOOM Carroll Springer
- Sep 20– On Campus Carroll Springer
- Sep 27– Zoom Carroll Springer
- **Oct 4 TBD Probably HS 1 of 8**
- **Oct 11 HS 2 of 8**
- **Oct 18 HS 3 of 8**



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Before we review the lesson

- Today I want to discuss something like the ICYMI for a few minutes
- Then delve into two passages of scripture that build on the preparation and video we saw Wednesday night
- Video feedback
- Wedding of the Lamb in light of a Galilean wedding understanding
- Matt 22 selected scripture
- Matt 25 selected scripture

In Case you missed it

- 1 in 5 churches facing permanent closure within 18 months due to COVID-19 shutdowns: Barna Research
- Interview is NPR with Dave Kinnaman
- Aftermath of COVID on churches
 - Giving down
 - Programs down
 - Online up
 - People getting comfortable not coming
 - >20% will shut their doors

SIGN OF THE TIMES WE LIVE IN

Parable of the Wedding Banquet – Matt 22

22 Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying:

² “The **kingdom of heaven** is like a **king** who prepared a wedding banquet for his **son**.

³ He sent his **servants** to **those who had been invited** to the banquet to tell them to come, *but they refused to come*.

⁴ “Then he sent some **more servants** and said, ‘**Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner:** My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready.

Come to the wedding banquet.’

Matt 22:5-10

⁵ “But **they paid no attention** and went off—one to his field, another to his business.

⁶ **The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them.**

⁷ The king was **enraged**. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

⁸ “Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come.

⁹ So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.’

¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

Matt 22: 11-14

¹¹ “But when the king came in to see the guests, ***he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes.***

¹² He asked, ‘How did you get in here without wedding clothes, **friend?**’ The man was speechless.

¹³ “Then the king told the attendants, ‘***Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.***’

¹⁴ ***“For many are invited, but few are chosen.”***

Matt 25 – The parable of the 10 virgins

- *“At that time the **kingdom of heaven** will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.*
- *² Five of them were foolish and five were wise.*
- *³ The **foolish ones** took their lamps but did not take any oil with them.*
- *⁴ The **wise ones**, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps.*
- *⁵ The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.*
- *⁶ “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘**Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!**’*

Matt 25: 7-10

⁷ “Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps.

⁸ The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.’

⁹ “‘No,’ they replied, ‘there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.’

*¹⁰ “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.***

Matt 25:11-13

¹¹ “Later the others also came. ‘**Lord, Lord,**’ they said, ‘**open the door for us!**’

¹² “But he replied, ‘***Truly I tell you, I don’t know you.***’

¹³ “***Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.***

Questions

- *What are you watching for?*
- *What are you seeing happening?*
- *Do you even know what to watch for or recognize it when it comes?*

Sad truth – Most of us do not read or understand our Bibles so we are ignorant of what it says, and what is coming. Perhaps worse, we have heard bits and pieces and cannot tell fact from fiction