

Matthew 25

25:1 – The “Olivet Discourse” continued: Jesus teaches on being ready for His return with glory.

25:1-13 – The parable of the ten virgins.

Some of the “virgins” were ready, and some were not.

This is a parable on being ready, always on the alert.

Point: We need to be ready for accountability to God everyday.

25:14-30 – The parable of the *talents*.

There are those given gifts who will *invest in the kingdom*.

There are those who find any excuse *not to*.

Point: God gives us gifts for the purpose of *investing in the kingdom*.

25:31-46 – The true measure by which we will be judged.

Note: no mention about keeping the Law!

All judgment is based on how we treat one another.

Therefore, superseding the Law, traditions, religious involvement, even church, is love.