

Harmony of the Gospels

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Parable of the 10 Virgins Matt. 25:1-13

1 “Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

2 “Five of them were foolish, and five were prudent.

3 “For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them,

4 but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps.

5 “Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and *began* to sleep.

6 “But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet *him*.’

Parable of the 10 Virgins Matt. 25:1-13

7 “Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps.

8 “The foolish said to the prudent, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’

9 “But the prudent answered, ‘No, there will not be enough for us and you *too*; go instead to the dealers and buy *some* for yourselves.’

10 “And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut.

11 “Later the other virgins also came, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open up for us.’

12 “But he answered, ‘Truly I say to you, I do not know you.’

13 “Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

Parable of the 10 Virgins Matt. 25:1-13

1. Christians are to be ready for Christ's return.
2. Christians must be born again through saving faith in Jesus Christ...His death, burial and resurrection from the dead (John 3:16; 14:6; Rom. 10:9-10; 1 Cor. 15:1-4; Eph. 2:1-10).
3. Saving faith in Jesus Christ will display in every aspect of a Christian's life.
 - a. The fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22) will begin to show.
 - b. A desire for greater holiness and less sin will be apparent.

Parable of the Talents Matt. 25:13-30

14 “For *it is* just like a man *about* to go on a journey, who called his own slaves and entrusted his possessions to them.

15 “To one he gave five talents, to another, two, and to another, one, each according to his own ability; and he went on his journey.

16 “Immediately the one who had received the five talents went and traded with them and gained five more talents.

17 “In the same manner the one who *had received* the two *talents* gained two more.

18 “But he who received the one *talent* went away and dug *a hole* in the ground and hid his master’s money.

19 “Now after a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them.

20 “The one who had received the five talents came up and brought five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you entrusted five talents to me. See, I have gained five more talents.’

21 “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’

22 “Also, the one who *had received* the two talents came up and said, ‘Master, you entrusted two talents to me. See, I have gained two more talents.’

Parable of the Talents Matt. 25:13-30

23 “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’

24 “And the one also who had received the one talent came up and said, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow and gathering where you scattered no *seed*.’

25 ‘And I was afraid and went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours.’

26 “But his master answered and said to him, ‘You wicked, lazy slave, you knew that I reap where I did not sow and gather where I scattered no *seed*.’

27 ‘Then you ought to have put my money in the bank, and on my arrival, I would have received my *money* back with interest.’

28 ‘Therefore, take away the talent from him and give it to the one who has the ten talents.’

29 “For to everyone who has, *more* shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.

30 “Throw out the worthless slave into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Parable of the Talents Matt. 25:13-30

1. Christians are accountable to the Lord for the use of their talents.

2. Christians have the most valuable resource of all – **the Word of God.**

The Judgment Matt. 25:31-46

31 “But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.

32 “All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats;

33 and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left.

34 “Then the King will say to those on His right, ‘Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

35 ‘For I was hungry, and you gave Me *something* to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me *something* to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in;

36 naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.’

37 “Then the righteous will answer Him, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You, or thirsty, and give You *something* to drink?’

The Judgment Matt. 25:31-46

38 'And when did we see You a stranger, and invite You in, or naked, and clothe You?

39 'When did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'

40 "The King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, *even the least of them*, you did it to Me.'

41 "Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels;

42 for I was hungry, and you gave Me *nothing* to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink;

43 I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in prison, and you did not visit Me.'

44 "Then they themselves also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not take care of You?'

45 "Then He will answer them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'

46 "These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Judgment Matt. 25:31-46

- Matthew 25:32-33 The First Judgment: Sorting the Sheep from the Goats
- Matthew 25:34 The Second Judgment: The Reward of the Righteous
- Matthew 25:35-40 The Life Choices of the Righteous
- Matthew 25:41 The Third Judgment: The Banishment of the Accursed
- Matthew 25:42-45 The Life Choices of the Accursed

The Judgment Matt. 25:31-46

2 Cor. 5:10-11

10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

11 Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men, but we are made manifest to God; and I hope that we are made manifest also in your consciences.

Jesus predicts His Crucifixion

Matt. 26:1-2

1 When Jesus had finished all these words, He said to His disciples,

2 “**You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man is *to be* handed over for crucifixion.”**

The Rulers plot and Judas bargains for His death

Matt.26:3-5

3 Then the chief priests and the elders of the people were gathered together in the court of the high priest, named Caiaphas;

4 and they plotted together to seize Jesus by stealth and kill Him.

5 But they were saying, "Not during the festival, otherwise a riot might occur among the people."

Mark 14:10-11

10 Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went off to the chief priests in order to betray Him to them.

11 They were glad when they heard this, and promised to give him money. And he *began* seeking how to betray Him at an opportune time.

Luke 22:3-6

3 And Satan entered into Judas who was called Iscariot, belonging to the number of the twelve.

4 And he went away and discussed with the chief priests and officers how he might betray Him to them.

5 They were glad and agreed to give him money.

6 So he consented, and *began* seeking a good opportunity to betray Him to them apart from the crowd.

At the Feast in the house of Simon the Leper, Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus for His burial

Matt.26:6-13

6 Now when **Jesus was in Bethany, at the home of Simon the leper,**

7 **a woman came to Him with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume, and she poured it on His head as He reclined at the table.**

8 **But the disciples were indignant when they saw this, and said, "Why this waste?"**

9 **"For this perfume might have been sold for a high price and the money given to the poor."**

Mark 14:3-9

3 While **He was in Bethany at the home of Simon the leper, and reclining at the table,** there came a woman with an alabaster vial of very costly perfume of pure nard; **and she broke the vial and poured it over His head.**

4 But some were indignantly remarking to one another, "Why has this perfume been wasted?"
5 "For this perfume might have been sold for over three hundred denarii, and *the money* given to the poor." And they were scolding her.

6 But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you bother her? She has done a good deed to Me.

John 12:2-8

2 **So they made Him a supper there, and Martha was serving; but Lazarus was one of those reclining at the table with Him.**

3 **Mary then took a pound of very costly perfume of pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.**

4 But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples, who was intending to betray Him, *said,

At the Feast in the house of Simon the Leper, Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus for His burial

Matt.26:6-13

10 But Jesus, aware of this, said to them, “Why do you bother the woman? For she has done a good deed to Me.

11 **“For you always have the poor with you; but you do not always have Me.”**

12 “For when she poured this perfume on My body, she did it to prepare Me for burial.

13 “Truly I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her.”

Mark 14:3-9

7 **“For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you wish you can do good to them; but you do not always have Me.”**

8 “She has done what she could; she has anointed My body beforehand for the burial.

9 “Truly I say to you, wherever the gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be spoken of in memory of her.”

John 12:2-8

5 “Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and given to poor people?”

6 Now he said this, not because he was concerned about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box, he used to pilfer what was put into it.

7 Therefore Jesus said, “Let her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of My burial.

8 **“For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me.”** 16

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Matt.26:17-20

17 Now on the first *day* of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?"

18 And He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, 'My time is near; I am to keep the Passover at your house with My disciples.'" ' "

19 The disciples did as Jesus had directed them; and they prepared the Passover.

20 Now when evening came, Jesus was reclining *at the table* with the twelve disciples.

Mark 14:12-17

12 On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was being sacrificed, His disciples *said to Him, "Where do You want us to go and prepare for You to eat the Passover?"

13 And He *sent two of His disciples and *said to them, "Go into the city, and a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him;

Luke 22:7-18

7 Then came the first day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed.

8 And Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, so that we may eat it."

9 They said to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare it?"

10 And He said to them, "When you have entered the city, a man will meet you carrying a pitcher of water; follow him into the house that he enters."

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Matt.26:17-20

Mark 14:12-17

14 and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is My guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?"'

15 "And he himself will show you a **large upper room furnished and ready; prepare for us there.**"

16 The disciples went out and came to the city, and found it just as He had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

17 When it was evening He *came with the twelve.

Luke 22:7-18

11 "And you shall say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, "Where is the guest room in which I may eat the Passover with My disciples?"'

12 "And he will show you a **large, furnished upper room; prepare it there.**"

13 And they left and found everything just as He had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

14 When the hour had come, He reclined at the table, and the apostles with Him.

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Matt.26:17-20

Mark 14:12-17

Luke 22:7-18

15 And He said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer;

16 for I say to you, I shall never again eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.”

17 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He said, “Take this and share it among yourselves;

18 for I say to you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine from now on until the kingdom of God comes.”

Disciples contend for precedence.

Luke 22:24-30

24 And there arose also a dispute among them as to which one of them was regarded to be greatest.

25 And He said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who have authority over them are called ‘Benefactors.’

26 “But *it is* not this way with you, but the one who is the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like the servant.

27 “For who is greater, the one who reclines *at the table* or the one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines *at the table*? But I am among you as the one who serves.

28 “You are those who have stood by Me in My trials;

29 and just as My Father has granted Me a kingdom, I grant you

30 that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Jesus washes the feet of His Disciples

John 13:1-20

1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, Jesus knowing that His hour had come that He would depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

2 During supper, the devil having already put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, *the son of Simon*, to betray Him,

3 *Jesus*, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God,

4 *got up from supper, and *laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He girded Himself.

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

5 Then He *poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.

6 So He *came to Simon Peter. He *said to Him, "Lord, do You wash my feet?"

Jesus washes the feet of His Disciples

John 13:1-20

7 Jesus answered and said to him, “What I do you do not realize now, but you will understand hereafter.”

8 Peter *said to Him, “Never shall You wash my feet!” Jesus answered him, “If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me.”

9 Simon Peter *said to Him, “Lord, *then wash* not only my feet, but also my hands and my head.”

10 Jesus *said to him, “He who has bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all *of you*.”

11 For He knew the one who was betraying Him; for this reason He said, “Not all of you are clean.”

12 So when He had washed their feet, and taken His garments and reclined *at the table* again, He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you?”

13 “You call Me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am.

Jesus washes the feet of His Disciples

John 13:1-20

14 “If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.

15 “For I gave you an example that you also should do as I did to you.

16 “Truly, truly, I say to you, a slave is not greater than his master, nor *is* one who is sent greater than the one who sent him.

17 “If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

18 “I do not speak of all of you. I know the ones I have chosen; but *it is* that the Scripture may be fulfilled, ‘He who eats My bread has lifted up his heel against Me.’

19 “From now on I am telling you before *it* comes to pass, so that when it does occur, you may believe that I am *He*.

20 “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who receives whomever I send receives Me; and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me.”

Jesus points out Judas as the betrayer

Matt. 26:21-25

21 As they were eating, He said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me."

22 Being deeply grieved, they each one began to say to Him, "Surely not I, Lord?"

23 And He answered, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the bowl is the one who will betray Me.

24 "The Son of Man *is to go*, just as it is written of Him; but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born."

25 And Judas, who was betraying Him, said, "Surely it is not I, Rabbi?" Jesus *said to him, "You have said *it yourself*."

Mark 14:18-21

18 As they were reclining *at the table* and eating, Jesus said, "Truly I say to you that one of you will betray Me—one who is eating with Me."

19 They began to be grieved and to say to Him one by one, "Surely not I?"

20 And He said to them, "*It is one of the twelve, one who dips with Me in the bowl.*

21 "For the Son of Man *is to go* just as it is written of Him; but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! *It would have been good for that man if he had not been born.*

Luke 22:21-23

21 "But behold, the hand of the one betraying Me is with Mine on the table."

22 "For indeed, the Son of Man is going as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom He is betrayed!"

23 And they began to discuss among themselves which one of them it might be who was going to do this thing.

John 13:21-30

21 When Jesus had said this, He became troubled in spirit, and testified and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, that one of you will betray Me."

22 The disciples *began* looking at one another, at a loss *to know* of which one He was speaking.

23 There was reclining on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

24 So Simon Peter **gestured* to him, and **said* to him, "Tell *us* who it is of whom He is speaking."

25 He, leaning back thus on Jesus' bosom, **said* to Him, "Lord, who is it?"

Jesus points out Judas as the betrayer

Matt. 26:21-25

Mark 14:18-21

Luke 22:21-23

John 13:21-30

26 Jesus then *answered, "That is the one for whom I shall dip the morsel and give it to him." So when He had dipped the morsel, He *took and *gave it to Judas, *the son* of Simon Iscariot.

27 After the morsel, Satan then entered into him. Therefore Jesus *said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

28 Now no one of those reclining *at the table* knew for what purpose He had said this to him.

29 For some were supposing, because Judas had the money box, that Jesus was saying to him, "Buy the things we have need of for the feast"; or else, that he should give something to the poor.

30 So after receiving the morsel he went out immediately; and it was night.

Jesus predicts Peter's denial

Matt. 26:31-35

31 Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of Me this night, for it is written, 'I will strike down the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered.'

32 "But after I have been raised, I will go ahead of you to Galilee."

33 But Peter said to Him, "Even though all may fall away because of You, I will never fall away."

34 Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you that this very night, before a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times."

35 Peter *said to Him, "Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You." All the disciples said the same thing too.

Mark 14:27-31

27 And Jesus *said to them, "You will all fall away, because it is written, 'I will strike down the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.'

28 "But after I have been raised, I will go ahead of you to Galilee."

29 But Peter said to Him, "Even though all may fall away, yet I will not."

30 And Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you, that this very night, before a rooster crows twice, you yourself will deny Me three times."

31 But *Peter* kept saying insistently, "Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You!" And they all were saying the same thing also.

Luke 22:31-34

31 "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded *permission* to sift you like wheat;

32 but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."

33 But he said to Him, "Lord, with You I am ready to go both to prison and to death!"

34 And He said, "I say to you, Peter, the rooster will not crow today until you have denied three times that you know Me."

John 13:36-38

36 Simon Peter said to Him, "Lord, where are You going?" Jesus answered, "Where I go, you cannot follow Me now; but you will follow later."

37 Peter said to Him, "Lord, why can I not follow You right now? I will lay down my life for You."

38 Jesus answered, "Will you lay down your life for Me? Truly, truly, I say to you, a rooster will not crow until you deny Me three times."