

Text: Matthew 25:1-46
Topics: Christ's Return, Judgment, Giving, Serving
Series: The Promised King

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Are You Ready?

I. Ready in the Moment (1-13)

Be ready for Christ's return every day!

II. Ready in Mission (14-30)

Faithful use of material possessions for Christ reveals real and ready believers.

III. Ready in Ministry (31-46)

Ministry to the needs of the Lord's suffering people will reveal real and ready believers.

My walk with Christ will make me ready to meet Christ on that day!

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. What are some of the unbiblical ideas about heaven and hell that you've heard? How did you respond?

2. Read Matthew 25:1-13. What's the main idea of the parable?

What do the door (v. 10) and the groom's answer (v. 12) represent?

What do the actions and outcomes of the virgins represent?

What does it mean for you to be "alert" and "prudent" today? Are you?

3. Read the parable of the talents in Matthew 25:14-28. Think about the master's response to the first two slaves. Does the prospect of hearing those words motivate you? In what way?

Describe what, "Well done, good and faithful," looks like for your life.

4. What is the "more" and the "abundance" of verse 29? Do you desire it? Why or why not?

5. Read Matthew 25:31-46. Jesus is speaking about a coming judgment day. What are the two destinies? What will reveal the destiny of people?

How can you express your faith in one of these ways? (Verses 35-36)

6. Look back over Matthew 25 and think about how your life reflects belief in Christ Jesus, heaven, and hell. Is there one thing you would like to change in your life to better reflect your beliefs?