



## DAY 01 |

### Principle:

*True followers of Jesus are those who are actively preparing, not passively waiting, for His return.*

**Read Matthew 25:1-13, Genesis 6:5, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, and 2 Peter 3:8-10**

1. What is Jesus, as the bridegroom, saying about the timing of His coming? What is the fundamental difference between the wise virgins and the foolish ones with regards to His second coming?
2. How can you know if your faith is genuine or is simply “borrowed” from the believers around you?

## DAY 02 |

### Principle:

*God expects His followers to multiply His resources, producing kingdom treasures.*

**Read Matthew 25:14-30, Genesis 1:27-28, 2:5-8, Luke 9:1-6, John 15:16, and Acts 1:6-8**

1. Why would Jesus expect His followers to multiply His resources while they await His return?
2. What causes you to avoid doing the work to which Jesus has called you?
3. How will you be assessed in your multiplication of what God has given you relative to your ability? What have you “buried” that God expects you to multiply?



## DAY 03 |

**Principle:** *In His final judgment, Jesus will declare true citizens of His kingdom to be those who loved and served vulnerable people for His sake.*

Read Matthew 25:31-40, Daniel 7, Isaiah 58:6-7, James 2:14-17, and 1 John 3:17-18

1. What do you learn about Jesus in this text? Look closely at all the detail described and summarize what you see.
2. What is common to those who Jesus will welcome into the kingdom of heaven? Why do you think the traditional “religious” behaviors are not listed?

## DAY 04 |

**Principle:** *Jesus will gather, judge, and separate those who claim to be “Christians” and many will be sent to an eternal hell.*

Read Matthew 25:41-46, John 3:35-36, 2 Cor. 5:10, Galatians 6:10, Daniel 12:2, and Mal. 3:16-18

1. What is the underlying premise Jesus describes in this text that He will use to separate the sheep from the goats?
2. Why would Jesus teach us these realities through Matthew? What is Jesus revealing to you about your life?