

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT THE RAPTURE? Part Sixteen: February 10, 2021

The Biblical Teaching

- **Six key passages:**
 - Luke 12:35-40
 - 1 Thess. 1:10
 - 1 Thess. 5:1-11
 - 2 Thess. 2:1-8 (also 9-17)
 - Luke 21:34-36
 - Rev. 3:10
- **One concluding meditation:**
 - Matt. 25:1-13 (the Parable of the _____)

The Parable of the Virgins:

- **The time of the parable**
- **The point of the parable**
- **The _____ of the parable**
- **The symbolism of the parable**
- **The _____ of the parable**
- **The _____ of the parable**

The Time of the Parable

- **Verse 1: “Then” (context) = at the time of Christ’s coming at the _____**
 - The time likened to the days of _____ (24:37-39).
 - A time of worldwide ignorance, _____, and iniquity.
 - A time of impending, imminent _____.
 - The time when some will be _____, and others will be left behind (24:40-42).
 - “Then” (vs. 40) = at the time of His _____.
 - “Taken” = to take _____, receive to oneself.
 - The time of Christ’s coming like a _____ in the night (24:43-44).
 - The time of Christ’s coming to hold His house stewards _____ (24:45-51).
 - Those who are faithfully _____ the Lord’s household will be _____.
 - Those who are unbelieving, _____, selfish, and drunken will be _____.

- The time of Christ's return from a far _____ (25:14-30).
 - "After a _____ time" (vs. 19) = the _____ age
- The time when the _____ is tarrying, and the virgins are falling _____ in the middle of the night (25:5-6a).
 - 1 Thess. 5:6-8: _____

 - See also Rom. 13:11-14: _____

 - See also Rev. 3:15-16, 19: _____

 - Luke 18:1, 8b: _____

 - Interesting that _____ marks the start of a new day in modern reckoning.
 - Could this be a veiled reference to the _____ of the Day of the Lord?

The Point of the Parable

- **Verse 13: "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."**

- " _____ " reveals the primary lesson taught by the parable: " _____ "!
- The Lord's return will be _____ and will catch many unprepared.
- Notice the repetition:
 - 24:36, " _____ no man"
 - 24:39, "knew not"
 - 24:42, "know not"
 - 24:44, " _____ not"
 - 24:50, " _____ not,...is not aware of

In Conclusion

- **Are you _____ and ready for your Lord's coming?**
 - Are you prepared to be taken into Christ's presence (truly _____)?
 - Are you living like _____ Noah in the days before the Flood?
 - Are you _____ stewarding whatever service the Master has entrusted to you?
 - Are you preparing to give your _____ at the Judgment Seat?