

**MATTHEW DAILY STUDY GUIDE**  
**Matthew 25:1-13**

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What stands out to you in this passage? Why?

The \_\_\_\_\_ is likened to ten virgins... (25:1)

What do the ten virgins have in common? (25:1)

What is different about them? (25:2-4)

Because the bridegroom came later than expected, what happened?  
(25:5-7)

What problem do five of the virgins face at that moment? (25:8-10)

What is the result of their lack of preparation? (25:11-12)

What is the main point and application from this parable? (25:13)

**DAY TWO: MEDITATION.** Read and meditate on Matthew 25:1-13.  
Write out your thoughts or your prayer to God.

**DAY THREE: INTERPRETATION.** This passage assumes that one has a basic understanding of a Jewish wedding. To better understand, go to [www.gotquestions.org/Jewish-wedding-traditions.html](http://www.gotquestions.org/Jewish-wedding-traditions.html)

What do you learn from this article on Jewish wedding customs?

Go to [blueletterbible.org](http://blueletterbible.org) and type "Matt 25:3" into the Search box. Click on this verse and find the word "oil." Click on Strong's #1637 to see the Greek word, its definition, and its usage in the NT.

What is the Greek word? \_\_\_\_\_ (see Transliteration)

How many times is it used in the NT? \_\_\_\_\_ (see KJV Translation Count)

What is its definition? (Click *Vine's Expository Dictionary* for more info.)

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**DAY FOUR: DEVOTION.** William Barclay (1907-78) was a Bible professor at the Univ. of Glasgow. Though liberal in some beliefs, his commentary is considered a classic of scholarly research. Read his thoughts on 25:1-13 at [studylight.org/commentaries/eng/dsb/matthew-25.html](http://studylight.org/commentaries/eng/dsb/matthew-25.html).

What stands out to you after reading Barclay's words?

**DAY FIVE: APPLICATION.** Re-read Matthew 25:1-13 and reflect on its message. How can you apply this parable to your daily life?

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