



THE MIDNIGHT CRY

Matthew 25:1-13 // Dr. Ron Jones

“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.’ 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. MATTHEW 25:1-13 ESV

The midnight cry is the anticipated moment when Jesus, our heavenly groom, _____ for His bride, the church.

Marriage is a picture of two things: the _____ and the _____ of Jesus Christ.

Get Ready for the Midnight Cry

1. Stay _____.

“Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep.” MATTHEW 25:5 ESV

“Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.” MATTHEW 25:13
ESV

You know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ROM 13:11

2. Fill your _____ with _____.

“But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’” ⁷ *Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps.”*

MATTHEW 25:6-7 ESV

The _____ is coming for His _____.

You cannot _____ someone else’s anointing.

“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.”* MATTHEW 25:8-9
ESV

And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.” REVELATION 19:9 ESV