

Are You Ready?

Matthew 25:1-13

The Characters

The Bridegroom – _____.

Coming as a bridegroom shows...

...His _____ and _____.

...His _____.

10 Virgins or Bridesmaids

– _____ believers

Wise and Foolish Virgins

Both had lamps

- Appearance of _____.

Both were invited

- Appearance of _____.

Only the wise had oil

- Reality of _____.

Only the wise were _____.

We can only have oil for _____.

Are you _____?

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Day 3: Matthew 24:36-51

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