

THE TEN VIRGINS

MATTHEW 25:1-13

PARABLES OF JESUS

DEFINE

A throwing alongside
Story that was true to life with spiritual
applications

Fable – talking animals

Myth – Presented as truths, were not

UNDERSTAND PARABLE

Learn main lesson
Understand in light of contex

MATTHEW 13:13

This is why I speak to them in parables:
"Though seeing, they do not see; though
hearing, they do not hear or understand.

**WITHHOLD KNOWLEDGE UNWILLING OR
UNWORTHY TO RECEIVE**

**LEAD THEM TO TRUTHS COULD NOT
MISUNDERSTAND**

EASY TO REMEMBER

MATTHEW 25:1-13

MARRIAGE FEAST

Spouses chosen by parents

Formal betrothal ceremony held

Wedding bridegroom's friends brought bride and attendant to house of bridegroom

Ceremony unknown

Afterwards, great feast

5 are ready; 5 are not

LESSONS FOR US

MUST BE READY WHEN LORD COMES

MATTHEW 25:13

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

CANNOT IGNORE AND BE READY

NOT UNGODLY OR IMMORAL, BUT FOOLISH

JESUS IS COMING- ARE YOU READY?

MUST MAKE OWN PREPARATIONS

SOMEONE ELSE MAKES RESERVATIONS

MUS BE MY OBEDIENCE

ROMANS 14:12

So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.

CANNOT RECALL LOST OPPORTUNITIES

MISSED THEIR CHANCE –FATE WAS FINAL

**OPPORTUNITIES DO GOOD MAY ONLY
COME ONCE**

**ONE CHANCE TO REACH A SOUL WITH
GOSPEL**

OTIS GATEWOOD AND GORBACHEV
