

## The Parable of the Ten Virgins

This parable is the one that is the most controversial. It is the parable of the ten virgins. Of course, those in the Churches will cry foul because they have been taught that they are the bride of Yahshua. But Yahshua is a Hebrew Jew and no Jew is going to marry a disobedient, pork eating bride that does not keep Yah's Commandments. In fact, we are told in the book of Revelation that the ones keeping the commandments of YHWH are the "saints", the set apart ones, which the Christians falsely claim they are.

**Rev 14:12** Here is the patience of the saints; here are the ones keeping the commandments of YAHWEH, and the faith of Yahshua.

**Rev 12:17** And the dragon was enraged over the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her seed, those keeping the commandments of YAHWEH, and having the testimony of Yahshua Messiah.

**Rev 22:14** Blessed are the ones doing His commandments, that their authority will be over the Tree of Life, and that they may enter by the gates into the city.

Yahshua also said in Matthew 19:17 -

**Mat 19:17** And He said to him, Why do you call Me good? No one is good except One, YAHWEH! But if you desire to enter into life, keep the commandments.

**Mat 19:18** He said to Him, Which? And Yahshua said, "You shall not commit murder, nor commit adultery, nor steal, nor give false witness,

**Mat 19:19** honor your father and your mother," and, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Ex. 20:12-16; Lev. 19:18; Deut. 5:16-20)

Yahshua quoted from the Ten Commandments, so we know these are the Commandments that are in view here. Of course, some will say that since he didn't mention the Sabbath, it isn't counted as part of the Commandments he meant. But that doesn't hold water because he didn't mention the 1st and 2nd ones either about have no other Elohim before Him or worshipping idols. Therefore, we see that according to Yahshua, it is necessary to keep the Commandments of YHWH which are found in the Torah. This includes the 7th day Sabbath. The parable of the 10 virgins reads as follows:

**Mat 25:1** Then the kingdom of Heaven shall be compared to ten virgins who taking their lamps, went out to a meeting of the bridegroom and the bride.

**Mat 25:2** And five of them were wise, and five foolish.

**Mat 25:3** Those being foolish, taking their lamps, did not take oil with them.

**Mat 25:4** But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

**Mat 25:5** But the bridegroom delaying all nodded and slept.

The 10 virgins are believers in Yahshua, all expecting to be the bride of the Messiah. However, five of them were foolish and five were wise. The Greek word translated "wise"

is "PHRONIMOS" which properly means "correct perceptions, good understanding". The correct perceptions are taught in the Torah. The foolish did not properly understand the Torah nor did they live by it. The foolish did not have oil for their lamps to light the way in which they should walk.

In Proverbs 6:23, it says *that the commandment is a lamp; and the Torah is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life.*

They took their lamps, but no oil to burn in them. Contrary to what the churches teach, oil is symbolic of the Torah. Water is symbolic of the Holy Spirit.

*The word of Yahweh is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path (Psa 119:104).*

It shows the way, but without Torah, it is useless. We are to let our lamps burn continually (Exo. 20:27) which means we are to obey Torah continuously. Yahshua is the oil that keeps the lamp burning; he is the living Torah. Psa 119:142 says the Torah is truth.

Yahshua had returned to his Father's house to prepare a place for his bride (Joh 14:2-3). This was the customary practice of Hebrew betrothals. When the groom had finished preparing the place, he would return unannounced to carry off his bride.

**Mat 25:6** And at midnight, a cry occurred, Behold, the bridegroom comes! Go out to meet him.

This is at his second coming. And many of those sleeping in the earth's dust shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to reproaches and to everlasting loathing (Dan 12:2).

**Mat 25:7** Then all those virgins were aroused and prepared their lamps.

**Mat 25:8** And the foolish said to the wise, Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are gone out.

**Mat 25:9** But the wise answered, saying, No, lest there not be enough for us and you. But rather, go to those who sell and buy for yourselves.

**Mat 25:10** But they going away to buy, the bridegroom came. And those ready went in with him to the wedding feast, and the door was shut.

**Mat 25:11** And afterwards, the rest of the virgins also came, saying, Master, Master, open to us.

**Mat 25:12** But answering, he said, Truly I say to you, I do not know you.

The 5 foolish virgins were those who had not bothered to keep Torah. The fact that they at one time had oil in their lamps shows that the early believers in Yahshua did also keep Torah, but had become foolish and quit keeping all of the Commandments of YHWH. The saddest part of this parable is the last verse. Yahshua said he did not even know them. Yahshua predicted this in Matt 7:23 where he gave the same reply. Here is what he told his disciples.

**Mat 7:12** Therefore, all things, whatever you desire that men should do to you, so also you should do to them; for this is the Torah and the Prophets.

**Mat 7:13** Go in through the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and many are the ones entering in through it.

**Mat 7:14** For narrow is the gate, and constricted is the way that leads away into life, and few are the ones finding it.

**Mat 7:15** But beware of the false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inside they are plundering wolves.

The false prophets are today's Christian preachers who say the law (Torah) is abolished. They are called chaff in Jer 23:28 as opposed to the true prophet. They look like the sheep and act like the sheep, but they are plundering wolves who feed off of the sheep instead of feeding them truth. The Torah is truth. They subsist totally on the sheep by wresting their source of income by coercion, false doctrine and any other means to get the sheep to part with their money.

The false prophets here are not the ones who incorrectly foretell the future; those are fortune tellers. A prophet is one who speaks for the one who he represents. Here, the false prophets are the ones who say they represent Yahshua or the kingdom of heaven, but they do it falsely with a false gospel. They add and take away commandments.

**Mat 7:16** From their fruits you shall know them. Do they gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?

Their fruit is their doctrine and this is how we can identify them.

**Mat 7:17** So every good tree produces good fruits, but the corrupt tree produces evil fruits.

**Mat 7:18** A good tree cannot produce evil fruits, nor a corrupt tree produce good fruits.

**Mat 7:19** Every tree not producing good fruit is cut down and is thrown into fire.

**Mat 7:20** Then surely from their fruits you shall know them.

**Mat 7:21** It will not be that just everyone who says to Me, Master, Master, will enter into the kingdom of Heaven, but the ones who do the will of My Father in Heaven.

Most translations say "Lord, Lord" and this is probably what they will say. Luke 6:43 adds "*and why do you call me Lord, Lord and do not do what I say?*"

**Mat 7:22** Many will say to Me in that day, Master, Master, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name do many works of power?

**Mat 7:23** And then I will declare to them, from everlasting, **I never knew you; "depart from Me, those working lawlessness!"** (Psa. 6:8)

This is exactly what the prophet Malachi said. (Mal 3:5-7) In the Day of Yahweh, he will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, adulterers, false swearers, those that oppress the widows and orphans and cheat the hired hands of his wages using false weights and measures, the false prophet that turns those away from the truth, etc.

The word translated "iniquity" in verse 7:23 is the Greek word "anomia" which means without the law (nomos).

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From [G1](#) (as a negative particle) and [G3551](#); *lawless*, that is, (negatively) ***not subject to (the Jewish) law***; (by implication a *Gentile*), or (positively) *wicked*: - without law, lawless, transgressor, unlawful, wicked.

So those workers of "iniquity" are those who turn their backs on the Torah and do not obey YHWH's Commandments and Statutes contained in the Torah. For those who doubt the word "nomos" refers to the Torah, they need look no further than Hebrews 8:10 which is a direct quote of Jer 31:33 where the word "nomos" is shown to be the word "Torah".

In conclusion, the 5 foolish virgins are the ones who believe Yahshua (Jesus) is the Messiah, but have been deceived by false teachers and pastors that have taught them that the Torah was no longer in effect and they did not need to keep the Commandments of YHWH as found in the Torah.

I don't believe the 5 foolish virgins will be lost, but simply will not have the honor of being the bride of the Messiah. I believe that they will be among the guests at the wedding ceremony of the lamb of YHWH and his bride. However, there is a hint in Rev 22:15 that they will not be allowed to enter into the gates of the city. There is no Church gate into the New Jerusalem and those without are those loving a lie and doing falsehood.

At the beginning of his sermon ([Mat 5:17-20](#)), Yahshua had given three examples to make a point about Torah still being in effect.

He did not come to do away with the Torah.

This included even the tiniest part (jot and tittle) of the Torah.

Those who taught otherwise would be "least in the Kingdom"

See also [Luk\\_13:25-27](#)

This will open a can of worms with the Christians and especially their pastors, but it is what it is.

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