**AM I PREPARED?**

**Sermon for Sunday August 14th 2022**

**Mathew 25: 1-13 NKJV**

**Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were wise and five of them were foolish. Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. But while the bridegroom was delayed, they slumbered and slept. And at midnight a cry was heard ‘Behold the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!’ Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil , for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather and to those who sell, and by for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. “Afterwards the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us!’ But he answered and said, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day, or the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.**

**James: 1 22-25 NKJV**

**But be doers of the word , and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer will be blessed in what he does.**

**John 3: 16 NKJV**

**For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.**

**John 14:21 NIV**

**Whoever has My commandments and obeys them, he is the one who loves Me. He who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I too will love him and show Myself to him.”**

**John 13:34-35 ESV**

**A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”**

 **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV**

**Rejoice always, pray continually give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.**

**Joshua 1:8 NKJV**

**This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, so that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.**

**Hebrews 12:28 ESV**

**Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,**

**Hebrews 10:25 NIV**

 **Let us not give up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing, but letr us encourage one another- and all the more as you see the Day approaching.**

**1 Peter 3:15 NIV**

**[But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,…](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=1+Peter+3%3A15&version=ESV)**

**Matthew 28: 19-20 NKJV**

 **Go therefore and make disciples to all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of ages, Amen.**