

Be Filled with the Holy Spirit Part 01

Jesus is Coming Back-The Parable of the Ten Virgins

“1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. 2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. 3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: 4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. 6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. 7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. 9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. 13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.” (Matthew 25:1-13 KJV)

Heading towards the end of the Book of Matthew, when the Lord in a short time would face betrayal, crucifixion and death on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins, here we found the Lord started speaking about His second coming. **Jesus spoke in parables about His second coming because He wants His church and His people that are we, to be ready to go with Him when He will come.** In the parable of the ten virgins that we read, those virgins who were ready they went with the groom to the wedding banquet.

The wedding banquet is a joyful assembly of people, where they celebrate the wedding with songs, new nice dresses, delicious food and sweet drinks. The same will be when Jesus would come; ***“13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.” (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 KJV)*** **Surely we will meet the Lord in the clouds and we will be with Him forever as we obey Him and follow His commands, therefore we need to be ready. Also in that glorious day we will receive our rewards from Him.** ***“6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. 7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.” (Revelation 19:6-9 KJV)***

The oil in the parable of the ten virgins is symbolizing the Holy Spirit. Lamps with oil have the power to reproduce light. The wise virgins were those who have oil in their lamps, having

the Holy Spirit so they have the light. The same for the believers who are filled with the Holy Spirit; they have the light of Jesus in them. ***“16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16 KJV)*** They are wise and they are showing that light by doing the works of God that He already prepared for us to do, ***“10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.” (Ephesians 2:10 KJV)*** **Therefore we need to be filled with the Holy Spirit so that we will have the light that will shine before men that they will see our good works that God prepared for us to walk in them and glorify our Father in Heaven.**

The work of the Holy Spirit in the believer's life is manifested by speaking in new tongues, prayerful life, miracles, signs and wonders, with great and profound evangelism in reaching out new souls for God. **The Lord wants us to be ready with such a standard having the same mind and heart of Jesus in the way we think, plan and act in our lives.**

We are really wise when we keep the flame of the Holy Spirit and follow what the Word of God says, ***“19 Quench not the Spirit.” (1 Thessalonians 5:19 KJV)*** ***“11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;” (Romans 12:11 KJV)*** When the Lord Jesus will come He will take those who are awake mentally and ready for Him. He will take those who are filled with the Holy Spirit for they are the people who are walking according to the truth. **Therefore we need to be filled with the Holy Spirit, fervent in the Holy Spirit and eager to do His work and His will and that is how we make ourselves ready for His coming.**

In the parable of the ten virgins the foolish ones they were not ready when the bridegroom came, that is why they were left behind. In the same way the coming of the Lord Jesus will be sudden like a thief in the night, ***“36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.” (Matthew 24:36 KJV)*** ***“42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. 43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. 44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.” (Matthew 24:42-44 KJV)*** **Therefore we need to be ready and filled with the Holy Spirit, doing His works and living His will so He will take us when He comes.**

The wise virgins in the parable they were not selfish in not sharing their oil with the foolish ones but instead they pointed out to the foolish virgins that they needed to go and buy for themselves from those who were selling: ***“9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.” (Matthew 25:9 KJV)*** The Holy Spirit is from God and so they pointed out to them that they need to go back and face God with such a need. Therefore spiritual preparation is not something which can be distributed around in crisis. **You need to be filled with the Holy Spirit because at His coming you cannot depend on others and their experience being filled with the Holy Spirit, but yourself you need to work out that with God. No one can do your works and obey God on your behalf, but yourself you need to do that. No one can read the Bible and pray instead of you, but yourself you need to do that. No one can go to church, pay tithes, firstfruits and offerings worship God and serve Him instead of you, but yourself you need to do that.**

The wise virgins said the following: *“Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you.”* They did not allow the foolish virgins to abuse them because the oil will not be enough for them. Therefore, we should not allow people to abuse us and use us and use our resources otherwise we will not be able to do the real works that God wants from us to do. Those who are as such those foolish virgins we cannot continue to go on and support them along the way, because they should repent and amend their ways.

The oil of the Holy Spirit every believer would possibly have it when he has a personal relationship with the Lord who is the Spirit. It is not the Lord who is not willing to give the Holy Spirit baptism but people unwillingness to live as wise and in full obedience to the Lord. The foolish were shut out because the bridegroom who is here representing the Lord Jesus did not know them. *“12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.” (Matthew 25:12 KJV)* His Word says: *“21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.” (Matthew 7:21-23 KJV)*

At the time of Jesus the wedding in Israel was in this way: The groom will leave his house with the men and the relatives at around the sun set and they will go to the house of the bride to take her to the house of the groom, who will sleep with her. Therefore she needed to prove her virginity otherwise if she proves not then according to the law of God she will be stoned to death as the Scripture tells us; *“13 If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her, 14 And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid: 15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate: 16 And the damsel's father shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hateth her; 17 And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech against her, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these are the tokens of my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city. 18 And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him; 19 And they shall amerce him in an hundred shekels of silver, and give them unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days. 20 But if this thing be true, and the tokens of virginity be not found for the damsel: 21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou put evil away from among you.” (Deuteronomy 22:13-21 KJV)* The application of that in the life of the church is as the following: *If the church is not virgin and in promiscuity with the world, and worldliness is engrossed in the members of the church then the church is in spiritual adultery, and so when the Lord will come and the church in such foolish status, without light, and without good works that God had prepared for the church to do, then the Lord shall leave those foolish people behind, because those who are friends with the world are enemies of God, “4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. 5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?” (James 4:4-5 KJV)*

Since the groom will start moving to the house of the bride at around sunset, then when they will reach darkness had come. So a source of light was needed so they can see their way. Therefore from this explanation comes the need for the lamps and for the oil that makes the lamps working and giving light at night. Therefore, the virgin who was waiting for the groom to come and take her needed to prepare herself with a lamp and oil to use it as a source of light to see its way to meet the groom and to go with him to their house.

Therefore in this way our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ spoke and linked His second coming with the filling with the Holy Spirit using the parable of the ten virgins. When He will come, Jesus will take those who have and are filled with the Holy Spirit. They are parallel to the wise virgins in the parable who were ready with the oil in their lamps. *“10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.” (Matthew 25:10 KJV)* You need to be ready at His coming. You cannot tell Him for example, please wait for me five minutes to go and give back the money that I had stolen, or give me one hour to go and reconcile with someone who I fought with, etc. You need to be ready in order to be taken with us to Heaven upon His return.

The theme of the parable of the ten virgins is this: There is something needed to be prepared and be ready with, and that is the oil, the Holy Spirit. The ten virgins all of them they have lamps but five of them were wise because they prepared the oil while the others were foolish who did not prepare themselves with the oil. *The same for us now, our readiness for the second coming of Christ is being filled with the Holy Spirit.*

Do the five foolish virgins know that they needed to prepare the oil? Yes they knew that because the parable tells us the following when the bridegroom came, *“8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.” (Matthew 25:8 KJV)* As the foolish went to ask oil from the wise then they knew that they needed to prepare oil ahead of time. *You don't have any excuse, as you know your responsibilities then you need to do them.*

Then why the five foolish virgins did not prepare the oil or why we found many Christians are not filled with the Holy Spirit?

1. Laziness and complacency: The wise they kept some money to buy oil, and they kept a time and they made it a point that they needed to go to the market to buy oil. But the foolish were lazy and procrastinating to do what is right and correct. *As you know your responsibilities then you need to go forward and do them; don't be lazy and don't procrastinate.*

2. Bad stewardship: Many Christians who believe in Christ they do many non important things and they spend their money and their time doing other things worldly to please people, customs and traditions. They are not keeping their priorities in a correct way. In other word what they have received from the Lord they are spending on for their pleasure. The foolish they kept money and time and effort to do other unnecessary things while the important things they neglected. *Manage your life and don't neglect to do the most important things of God that you need to do and don't spend your time, strength and money on worldly things.*

3. They abuse the grace of God and they take the Lord for granted: *“5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.” (Matthew 25:5 KJV)* Many Christians

they know what they ought to do and they sin by failing to obey the Lord, ***“17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.” (James 4:17 KJV)*** They keep themselves living in sin and disobedience, thinking that the Lord’s coming will take longer time, ***“1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.” (1 Thessalonians 5:1-3 KJV)*** * Many they abuse the grace of God by keeping themselves in the dangerous zone of non-repentance thinking that the Lord will not judge them for their sins that is why they say ***“Peace and safety”***, because they don’t believe in the judgment of God, and so they will be surprise with the judgment of God at His coming. Therefore we need to continue to emphasize about the coming judgment of God for those who sin, so people will be aware of their sins and repent and be ready for His coming by living away from sin. * Some also believe that the time of His coming is not yet, that is why they continue to live in sin, that is why we need to preach that His coming is like a thief in the night and He may come at any time. * Some also might even be deceived by thinking that Christ’s second coming will not happen. Peter spoke about such kind of people who belittle and do not believe about the second coming of Christ, ***“3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, 4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.” (2 Peter 3:3-4 KJV)*** that is why we need to emphasize in our preaching that Christ’s coming is sure. ***“10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.” (2 Peter 3:10-13 KJV)***

Therefore as we are waiting for His second coming let us live in obedience, as wise and be filled with the Holy Spirit doing His works and living His will. And let us read the following Scriptures to learn more about how to be ready for His second coming and be filled with the Holy Spirit.

A. “18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; 19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; 20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;” (Ephesians 5:18-20 KJV) * You should not be drinking wine because that will hinder the Holy Spirit from filling you. Nor be filled with anger, nor with lies, revenge, lust, un-forgiveness, bitterness, envy and the rest of the works of the flesh that will hinder your filling with the Holy Spirit. * The Holy Spirit will come upon you when you keep yourself in the right atmosphere and in the right fellowship with the right people where the Word of God is preached and expounded and where psalms, hymns and spiritual songs is uttered unto the Lord with grateful and thankful heart.

B. “13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?” (Luke 11:13 KJV) Kneel down, repent and renounce all your sins and keep asking God to fill you with the

Holy Spirit so you can serve Him in a perfect way while you are waiting for His second coming. Our prayer should be consistent and in line with the leading of the Holy Spirit that we should pray according to His will and His mind, ***“26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.” (Romans 8:26-27 KJV)***

C. “32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.” (Acts 5:32 KJV) * Obedient life is a must for the filling of the Holy Spirit. God will give the Holy Spirit to those who obey Him and willing to walk in His ways. Those who obey God will be led by the Holy Spirit of God ***“14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.” (Romans 8:14 KJV)*** And the Lord will fill them and they will be ready with us when He will come to take us. * Therefore continue to live in obedience to God and to His Word, His voice and to His will, so you will be filled with the Holy Spirit, you will be guided by the Holy Spirit and you will be ready when Jesus comes to take us to Heaven.

The second coming of Jesus is a surprise to those who are not ready but not to us and to those who are living as wise and are filled with His Holy Spirit: ***“4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. 7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. 8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. 11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.” (1 Thessalonians 5:4-11 KJV)***

My Dear and Beloved: Christ coming is soon, and might be this very day! The question is this: Are you ready to meet Him? Are you filled with the Holy Spirit? Are you doing His works that He ordained for you to walk through? Are you living according to His will?

Take warning of the message that you received; wake up, arise from your sleeping and despondency, repent of your sins, amend your ways, know your priorities, fear God and do not abuse His grace, knowing that His coming is sure and even could be now.

Let us pray

My Prayer: Father God, I come before you in the name of Jesus, who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord, thank you for this warning message that you sent to me to prepare me for your second coming. Lord thank you for all the corrections and the rebukes that I received in this message.

Come now to God and confess and renounce all your sins. Confess and renounce your worldliness, your greed, and your love for money and material things. Confess your laziness and procrastination in doing your works and responsibilities. Confess and renounce your

stubbornness and your delay obedience. Confess and renounce your abuse for the grace of God and your abuse to others. Confess and renounce your anger, hatred, revenge, unforgiveness, grudge and bitterness. Confess your lies, cheating, fights, quarrels, and corruption. Confess and renounce your lust, and your immoralities. Confess and renounce your yoke with non believers, and in bondage with the Media, News and games. Confess and renounce your bad stewardship, your bad example and your non willingness to serve God and suffer for Him. Lord forgive me, I repent of the following sins

Lord I commit my life into your hands, I ask you Lord to fill me with the Holy Spirit, Lord I commit my life to live in obedience to your Word and your commands and to the voice of the Holy Spirit. Lord guide me with your Holy Spirit to do the very things that you wants me to do, this is my prayer in Jesus name Amen.

Lord thank you for my Brothers and Sisters who repented of their sins, and who responded to the teaching of your Word in this message. Lord continue to cleanse them from their sins and fill them with the Holy Spirit and prepare them for your second coming. Lord restore them back to you and use them to serve you and to do the works that you ordained for them to walk through and the good plans that you have for them This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.

Lord, bless us as your church. Lord we commit ourselves to live in obedience to your Word and to your will in our lives. Lord we commit ourselves to teach and warn the brethren and the people that we are reaching out, our families, our children and our disciples about your second coming and the importance to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Lord we pray for more of our disciples and children to be water baptized and to receive the Holy Spirit baptism. Lord we ask you to refill us with the Holy Spirit and give us the spiritual gifts that we need in order to fulfill your purpose in the life of your church and your people, to do the works you prepared for us to do and to be ready at your coming. Lord, lead us to go on and evangelize, and make new disciples and train new workers to go and plant more Bible studies and congregations for the church. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, 'Multiplication in peace with implementing the whole will of God.' Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all in Jesus name, Amen.

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