

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA YOUNG PEOPLE
SPRING PURSUIT**

BEING WATCHFUL IN LIFE AND FAITHFUL IN SERVICE

Outline for Session One & Two

Virgins Filled with Oil in Our Vessel

Scripture Reading: Matt. 25:1-30; 24:40-44

- I. In this dark age, before the Lords coming, we have a two-fold status: virgins who are being filled with His life and slaves who are serving our Master—Matt. 25:1-30.**
- II. For life, we need oil, the Spirit of God, which we obtain by paying the price to spend time with the Lord—vv. 4, 9-10:**
- A. “...Ten virgins, ... took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom” —v. 1.
 - B. The five prudent virgins took oil not only in their lamps (their spirit) but also paid the price to take oil in their vessels (their souls).
 - C. The word **buy** indicates that a price must be paid; having the filling of the Holy Spirit is at a cost such as giving up the world, loving the Lord above all, and counting all things loss on account of Christ—v. 9.
 - D. The five foolish virgins failed to take extra oil in their vessel. When the bridegroom delayed, the foolish virgins died and resurrected, and then realized two things:
 - 1. They did not have enough of the supply of the Spirit in their soul.
 - 2. No one could buy the extra oil for them.
 - E. Our urgent need is to take time out of every day to spend time with the Lord. Hymns #643, #255, and #811 are good hymns to use to open to the Lord to touch Him —vv. 7-13.
- III. “At that time, two men will be laboring in the field; one is taken, and one is left...Watch therefore”—Matt. 24:40-44:**
- A. Are you watching for the Lord’s coming? And are you ready?
 - B. It is possible to watch, but not be ready.
 - C. Be watchful AND ready. For those who are left behind, the ones who are taken will be a strong warning sign to them who are left.