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- Ephesus: *Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else **I will come unto thee quickly**, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.*  
Rev 2:5
- Pergamos: *Repent; or else **I will come unto thee quickly** ...* Rev 2:16
- Philadelphia: ***Behold, I come quickly**: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.* Rev 3:11

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- **Behold, I come quickly:** [Rev 22:7](#)
- **Behold, I come quickly:** [Rev 22:12](#)
- ***Surely*, I come quickly.** Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. [Rev 22:20](#)

# Be ye also **READY**

## New Testament usage



*The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son ...*

***all things are ready***: come unto the marriage.

**Matt 22:1-4**

*You ... are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation*  
***ready*** to be revealed in the last time.

**1 Pet 1:5**

And he will shew you a large upper room furnished and ***prepared***  
(Grk '***ready***') **Mark 14:15**

**The King and His Son are ready ...**

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### **Ready** to be **generous**:

*I have thought it absolutely necessary .. and to make sure beforehand that the gift of love which you have already promised may be **ready** as a gift of love ...* 2 Cor 9:5 (WEY)

**Ready** for every **good work**. Titus 3:1

**Be ready always** to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear 1 Pet 3:15

They that were **ready** went in ... Matt 25:10



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**Watch** therefore: for **ye know not what hour** your Lord doth come.  
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.

**Therefore be ye also ready**: for **in such an hour as ye think not** the Son of man cometh. [24:42-44]

Who then is a faithful and wise servant ... [24:45&47]

... But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart [24:48-51]

**Parable of the 10 virgins** [25:1-12]

**Watch therefore**, for **ye know neither the day nor the hour** wherein the Son of man cometh.[Mat 25:13]

**Parable of the talents** [Mat 25:14-30]

**Parable of the sheep & goats** [Mat 25:31-46]

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# The goodman of the house ... had he known



## The thief who breaks up (breaks through) the house

*Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth ... where **thieves break through** and steal:*

*But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven ... where **thieves do not break through** nor steal:*

Matt 6:19-20



# Readiness: The faithful and wise servant



Lord has made ruler over his household (Grk: *therapeia*)

Occurrences of *therapeia*:

- *healing, Luke 9:11, Rev 22:2*
- *household, Matt 24:45, Luke 12:42*

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**FAITHFUL** – parable of talents *Matt 25:14-30*

**WISE** – parable of the 10 virgins *Matt 25:1-13*

# The DELAY



*Matt 24:48 My Lord delayeth his coming*

*Matt 25:5 While the bridegroom tarried*

*Matt 25:19 After a long time*

**How will we respond to an apparent 'delay'?**



# Readiness: Wise and Foolish Virgins

**Then ...** Matt 25:1 ... end time parable!

Readiness: **It's all about the OIL!** Matt 25:3-9

Rejection: ***Lord, Lord open to us*** Matt 25:11 (cf Matt 7:21-23)

**I know you not!** Matt 25:12

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