

Bible Study, Matthew, Week 10

Day: 1

Read: Matthew 25: 1-13

1. The today is being ready for Jesus' second coming
2. We have to think about our life, are we ready or are we too busy with our every day life?
3. Do we have things we want to do first before we make sure our relationship with God is right?
4. Or, maybe we are simply too busy?

Day: 2

Read: Matthew 25: 14-30

1. Yesterday we saw that 5 of the maidens were ready and 5 were not. There is always the danger that we will put our relationship with God on "ice"
2. There is another danger as well, what do you think it can be?
3. What is Jesus telling us in these verses?
4. Is it good to simply have a relationship with God?
5. Or do we also have to be busy in His Kingdom, working for Him?
6. Do you think each of us has our own special task?
7. Do we have to be obedient to His calling even if it does not suit us?
8. Will there be time for excuses in the end?

Day: 3

Read: Matthew 25: 31-46

1. When Jesus comes again to judge the world, who are the sheep and who are the goats?
2. What will be used as a measure?
3. Do you also sometimes feel as if the problems of some are so complex that you cannot do anything about it?
4. Do you think you still need to do what you can in any case?
5. I often feel that in today's life it is very difficult, do you also feel like it?
6. Can you think of situations where you can do something, even if you cannot solve the problem completely?
7. Do you think we need to worry about more than only what we can do, do it and not be concerned if it resolved all the problems?

Day: 4

Read: Matthew 26: 1-5

1. Caiaphas Chief priest was on a good footing with the Romans
2. Why do you think he did not want the people to come into an uproar about Jesus?

3. Is it possible that it was all about his position and the possibility of losing it?
4. Why do you think the high priests and the religious leaders wanted to get rid of Jesus?
5. Were those and others that were responsible for Jesus' crucifixion?
6. Why do we read then, that Jesus predicted His own crucifixion?
7. No, He was sent by God and came specifically to free us from our sins.

Day: 5

Read: Matthew 26: 6-13

1. Do you also sometimes get into a situation that you simply know, for no apparent reason, that you have to do a certain thing?
2. You simply know you can mean a lot to someone.
3. This is what this woman did, she did something for Jesus that would never be possible again.
4. She anointed Him as King, why do you think it had to happen?
5. Do you agree that His resurrection proved Him as King?
6. There would not be time after His crucifixion; it was too close to the Sabbath.
7. After the Sabbath He had risen again!
8. What is the lesson in this, for us, today?
9. Do you allow God to lead you in such a way, to do what you have to on a specific day?

Day: 6

Read: Matthew 26: 14-16

1. There are many possible reasons for Judas' betrayal. Can you name some?
2. Do you think it was because Jesus was not the Messiah he wanted?
3. Can it be that he, as most others, only wanted someone to free them from the oppression of the Romans?
4. I'm not always happy with what God expects from me, do you also feel like that sometimes?
5. Do you also try and tell God how things are supposed to be? I know I do!
6. Do we always realize that we have to be changed by God to be what He wants us to be?
7. How can we do that? What does our attitude have to be?

Day: 7

Read: Matthew 26: 17-19

The Passover reminds us of the exodus out of Egypt. God made the impossible, possible. Jesus celebrated the Passover with His disciples knowing that this festival will take on a whole new meaning after His crucifixion and resurrection. Jesus is the Lamb of God, who died for us. It is His blood that had to flow to free us of our sins. That is the way God prepared our salvation. Only God can give us this new life. That is why Easter is still so important to us. It is a time when we think about what Jesus did for us.

This ends the study of Matthew. Read the rest of the Gospel, thinking about all that we have learned.