

Parables – Wedding & Virgins

(Recent points I've made on these parables from a Kingdom perspective and by looking at their context in what Jesus was trying to get across to his hearers)

The Parable of the Wedding Feast

The parable of the wedding feast¹ also predicted that Israel would be cut off. In the allegory, the King (**Father**) called invited guests (**Israel**) to the wedding of his son (**Jesus**) but the guests didn't want to be a part of it. The guests even beat up and killed the King's servants (**Prophets**). The King (**Father**) was furious and sent his armies (**Rome**) who destroyed them and burned their city. The King (**Father**) then sent an invitation to the unholy (**gentiles**) and they gladly came. Those guests (**gentiles**) who weren't sincere (**non-sons**) and didn't come prepared for the wedding event were cast “into outer darkness; [where] there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth”².

Parable of the 10 Virgins

1. Jesus did not give us a date for his return, only a set of signs.
 - (*NU-Text adds that the Son doesn't know the date*)
 - Matthew 24:36 (1 Thessalonians 5:3)
2. Jesus told us to watch for his return because it would come unexpectedly and we needed to be ready.
 - (See: The 'Parable of the 10 Virgins')
 - Matthew 24:42-44; 25:1-13 (1 Thessalonians 5:2-10)
3. True believers will not be in the dark concerning the King's return.
 - We will watch for the signs, keep vigilant, and the Spirit will tell us the details as the time gets closer.
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:4-5

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1 – Matthew 22:1-14

2 – Matthew 22:13 (NKJV)