

Family Table Talk

Opportunity
Christian Fellowship

for the week of November 5, 2017

Read it . . .

Matthew
25:1-11

Discuss and apply the truth of God's Word as a family.

A Story About Ten Bridesmaids

In Jesus' day, they didn't do weddings like we do now. Back then weddings were kind of a surprise party. The groom would prepare for the wedding (building a house to live in or learning a trade) and when he was ready he would gather his best friends and they would start a parade to the bride's house. So the bride would have her friends watch so they could warn her when the groom's parade was coming.

Jesus is coming back someday. And like the

bride, we don't know when He will show up. You might have heard different people claim they know the day. But the Bible warns us that nobody does except God the Father (even Jesus said He didn't know).

Jesus' point is that we need to be ready, no matter if the time is very soon or still a ways off. He also wants us to have hope. Death is not the end of our story.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Matthew 25:1-11</p> <p>Have you ever been too late and missed out on something?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Matthew 25:1-11</p> <p>Here's a tough question: The groom, the bridesmaids, and the feast are all symbols for Jesus, us, and heaven. What does the oil symbolize? (Hint: next week!)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Tuesday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">1 Thessalonians 4:13-18</p> <p>Have you ever heard the word <i>rapture</i>? The Latin word for "caught" is rapture. Do you see the word "caught"? What do you think this will look like?</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Psalm 78:1-7</p> <p>Make a family tree. Share stories about your grandparents and great-grandparents. Can you see times God was at work in your family?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Joshua 24:1-3,14-18</p> <p>The people of Israel could have had a much different story if God hadn't gotten involved. How has God changed your family?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Read Joshua 24:14-15</p> <p>What does "serving the LORD" have in common with waiting like those bridesmaids in Matthew 25.</p>

Memory Verse: Joshua 24:15b

But as for me and my family, we will serve the LORD.

Coming Up Next Week:

A Story About Talents