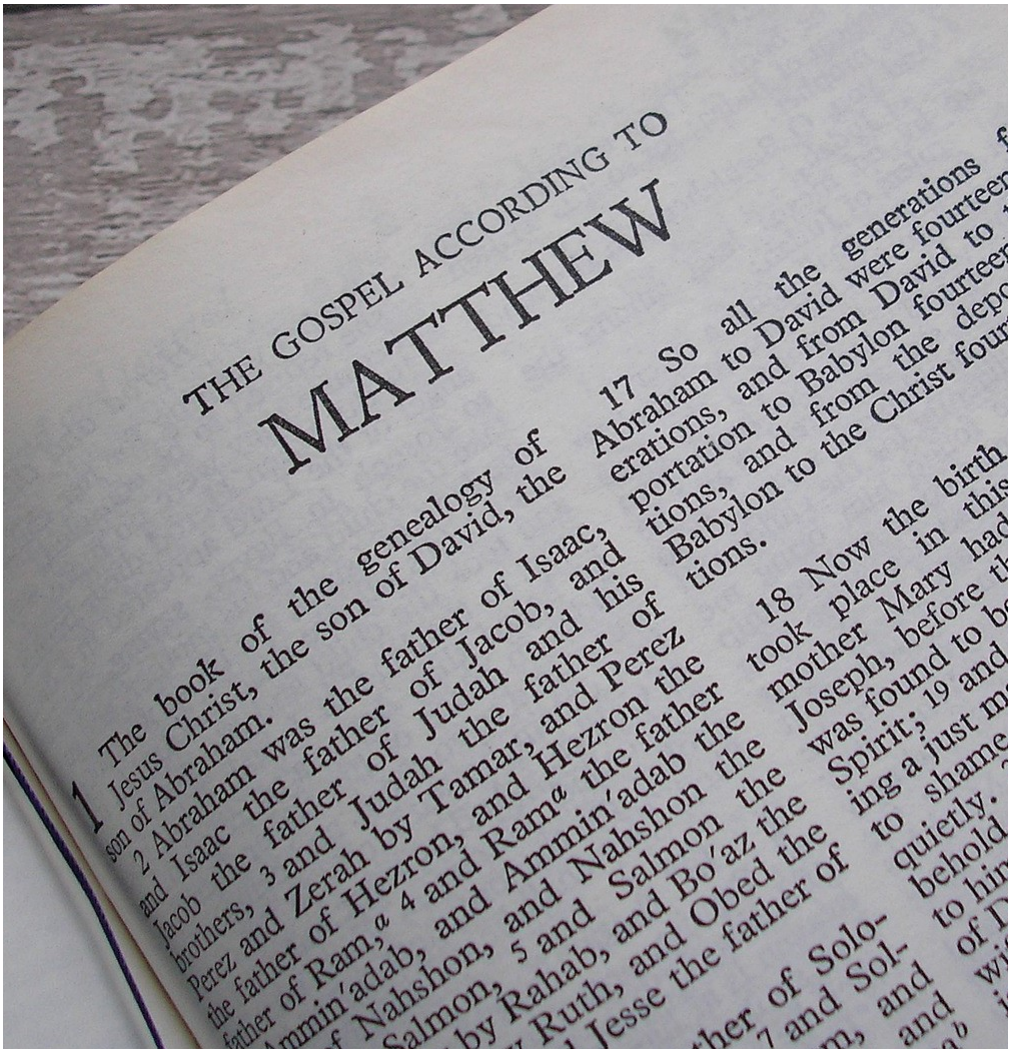


Let's Worship God

26th Sept. - 1st Oct. 2022

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Monday - Matthew 24:36-51 - Watch

The godly and the ungodly, at present, are all mingled together. In the church, in the city, at home, at work, at school, the children of God and the children of the world are all side by side. But it won't always be like this. When Christ returns, there shall be a complete division. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye; at the last trumpet, each party shall be separated from the other forever. Wives shall be separated from husbands; parents from children; brothers from sisters; employers from employees; preachers from hearers. There shall be no time for parting words, or a change of mind, when the Lord appears. All shall be taken as they are, and reap as they have sown. Believers shall be taken to glory, honour, and eternal life. Unbelievers shall be left behind to shame and everlasting destruction.

True Christians ought to live like watchmen. The day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night. They should strive to be always on their guard. They should behave like the sentinel of an army in an enemy's land. They should resolve by God's grace not to sleep at their post.

True Christians ought to live like good servants, whose master is not at home. They should strive to be always ready for their master's return. They should seek to keep their hearts in such a way, that whenever Christ appears, they may at once give Him a warm and loving reception. We may well doubt whether we are true believers in Jesus, if we are not ready at any time to have our faith changed into sight.

Let us seek to make sure that we are in Christ, and have an ark of safety when the day of wrath breaks on the world. Let us strive to live that we may be pronounced "blessed" at the last, and not cast off for evermore.

Questions

1. Who will be separated when Christ returns?
2. How should Christians live in light of Christ's return?

Prayer Points

1. Pray that you would live as a good servant of Christ.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

Memory Verse

"And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?"
Matthew 6:27

Praise: Psalm 40 - See www.rpglobalalliance.org for Psalm tune helps.

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Tuesday - Matthew 25:1-13 - The Wise and Foolish Virgins

The second coming of Christ will find His Church a mixed body, containing evil as well as good. The Church is compared to ten virgins. Only five have oil in their lamps to feed the flame. The visible Church of Christ is in the same condition. All its members are baptised in the name of Christ, but not all really hear His voice and follow Him. All are called Christians, but not all really are what they profess to be.

Christ's second coming, whenever it may be, will take men by surprise. When Jesus returns to the world, He will find the vast majority of mankind utterly unprepared. In an hour when no man thinks, the startled world shall be summoned to stand before its lawful King.

When the Lord comes again, many will find out the value of saving faith too late. Knowledge, conviction, the value of the soul, the need of a Saviour, shall all burst on men's minds one day like a flash of lightning. But it will be too late. It will be too late to buy oil, when the Lord returns. When Christ returns, true Christians shall receive a rich reward for all they have suffered for their Master's sake. Washed in the blood of atonement, clothed in Christ's righteousness, renewed by the Spirit, they shall meet their Lord with boldness, and sit down at the marriage supper of the Lamb, to go out no more. They shall be with their Lord - with Him who loved them and gave Himself for them; with Him who bore with them, and carried them through their earthly pilgrimage; with Him, whom they loved truly and followed faithfully on earth, though with much weakness, and many a tear. The door shall be shut at last; shut on all pain and sorrow; shut on a wicked world; shut on a tempting devil; shut on all doubts and fears; shut, to be opened again no more.

Questions

1. Who are the wise and foolish virgins like?
2. What will happen to true Christians when Christ returns?

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for Christ's life and death on your behalf.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

Memory Verse

"And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?"
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Wednesday - Matthew 25:14-30 - The Talents

All professing Christians have received something from God. We are all God's "servants." We have "talents" entrusted to us. Anything whereby we may glorify God is a talent. Our gifts, our influence, our money, our knowledge, our health, our strength, our time, our senses, our reason, our intellect, our memory, our affections, our privileges as members of Christ's Church, our advantages as possessors of the Bible - all are talents.

Many make a bad use of the privileges and mercies they receive from God. To hide our talent is to neglect opportunities of glorifying God, when we have them. It is to have light that we do not use, to rob God daily. It is to make no return of all that God has lent us.

All professing Christians must one day have a reckoning with God. There will be no escape. We and God must at last meet face to face. We shall have to give an account of every privilege that was granted to us, and of every ray of light that we enjoyed.

The least and lowest of believers will find that he is counted among Christ's servants, and that his labour has not been in vain in the Lord. He will discover to his amazement, that his Master's eye saw more beauty in his efforts to please Him, than he ever saw himself. He will find that every hour spent in Christ's service, and every word spoken on Christ's behalf, has been written in a book of remembrance.

Thousands are living at this day without Christ, and yet all this time they know in their own conscience that they are guilty. They are burying their talent. They are not doing what they can. We are not told that the unprofitable servant was a murderer, or a thief, or even a waster of his Lord's money. But he did nothing - and this was his ruin.

Questions

1. What are talents?
2. How do we hide talents?

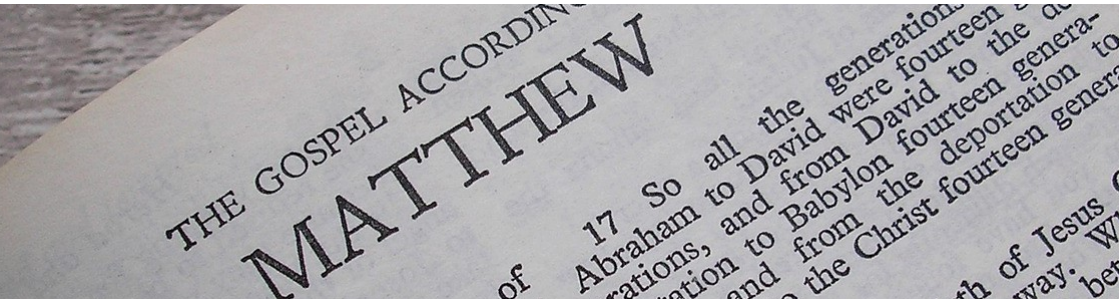
Prayer Points

1. Pray that you would use what God has given you to glorify Him.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

Memory Verse

"And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?"
Matthew 6:27

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Thursday - Matthew 25:31-46 - The Judgement

Jesus Christ shall Himself judge the world, when He comes in His glory. Let believers think of this, and take comfort. He that sits upon the throne in that great and dreadful day will be their Saviour, their Shepherd, their High Priest, their elder Brother, their Friend. When they see Him, they will have no cause to be alarmed. Let unconverted people think of this, and be afraid. Their judge will be that very Christ, whose Gospel they now despise, and whose gracious invitations they refuse to hear.

The last judgment will be a judgment according to evidence. The question to be ascertained will not merely be what we said, but what we did - not merely what we professed, but what we practiced. Our works unquestionably will not justify us. We are justified by faith without the deeds of the law. But the truth of our faith will be tested by our lives. Faith which has not works is dead, being alone. (James 2:20.)

Eternal life is an eternal rest, after warfare and conflict - the eternal company of saints, after buffeting with an evil world - an eternally glorious and painless body, after struggling with weakness and infirmity - an eternal sight of Jesus face to face, after only hearing and believing - all this is blessedness indeed. And yet the half of it remains untold. Eternal punishment is the eternal pain of body - the eternal sting of an accusing conscience - the eternal society of none but the wicked, the devil and his angels - the eternal remembrance of opportunities neglected and Christ despised - the eternal prospect of a weary, hopeless future - all this is misery indeed. It is enough to make our ears tingle, and our blood run cold. And yet this picture is nothing, compared to the reality.

Questions

1. Who will judge the world?
2. What are our works an evidence of?

Prayer Points

1. Pray for the salvation of family and friends.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

Memory Verse

“And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?”
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Friday - Matthew 26:1-13 - True Honour

Jesus recalls the attention of His disciples to His own death. He reminds them that He must die as a sin-offering before He reigns as a king, that He must make atonement on the cross, before he takes the crown.

Christ loves to honour those who honour Him. This prophecy of His about this woman is receiving a fulfilment every day before our eyes. Wherever the Gospel of Matthew is read, the deed that she did is known. The deeds and titles of many a king, and emperor, and general, are as completely forgotten, as if written in the sand. But the grateful act of one humble Christian woman is recorded in hundreds of different languages and is known all over the globe. In the day of judgement no honour done to Christ on earth shall be found to have been forgotten. The least work that the weakest Christian woman has done for Christ, or His members, shall be found written in a book of everlasting remembrance. Not a single kind word or deed, not a cup of cold water, or a box of ointment, shall be omitted from the record. Silver and gold she may not have had—rank, power, and influence she may not have possessed—but if she loved Christ, and confessed Christ, and worked for Christ, her memorial shall be found on high. She shall be commended before assembled worlds.

Do we know what it is to work for Christ? If we do, let us take courage, and work on. What greater encouragement can we desire than we see here? We may be laughed at and ridiculed by the world. Our motives may be misunderstood. Our conduct may be misrepresented. Our sacrifices for Christ's sake may be called "waste,"—waste of time, waste of money, waste of strength. But the eye of Him who sat in Simon's house in Bethany is upon us. He notes all we do, and is well-pleased.

Questions

1. What does Jesus prophesy about this woman?
2. What will be remembered in the day of judgement?

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks that Christ notices you.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters.

Memory Verse

“And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?”
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Saturday - Matthew 26:14-25 - Judas

Judas Iscariot had the highest possible religious privileges. He was a chosen apostle, and companion of Christ. He was an eye-witness of our Lord's miracles, and a hearer of His sermons. He saw what Abraham and Moses never saw, and heard what David and Isaiah never heard. He lived in the society of the eleven apostles. He was a fellow-labourer with Peter, James, and John. But for all this his heart was never changed.

Judas Iscariot made a reputable profession of faith. There was nothing but what was right, and proper, and becoming in his outward conduct. Like the other apostles, he appeared to believe and to give up all for Christ's sake. Like them he was sent forth to preach and work miracles. No one of the eleven appears to have suspected him of hypocrisy. When our Lord said, "One of you shall betray me," no one said, "Is it Judas?" Yet all this time his heart was never changed.

The love of money is one of the greatest snares to a man's soul. We cannot conceive a clearer proof of this, than the case of Judas. That wretched question, "What will you give me?" reveals the secret sin which was his ruin. He had given up much for Christ's sake, but he had not given up his covetousness.

Let us all be on our guard against the love of money. The world is full of it in our days. We may love money without having it, just as we may have money without loving it. It is an evil that works very deceitfully. It carries us captives before we are aware of our chains. We ought frequently to remember the solemn words, "What shall it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Our constant aim should be to be rich in grace.

Questions

1. Was it obvious that Judas was a traitor?
2. What sin was Judas still clinging to?

Prayer Points

1. Pray for the preaching and hearing of God's Word tomorrow.
2. Use prayer points from your congregation.
3. Pray for family matters

Memory Verse

"And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life?"
Matthew 6:27

Praise: Psalm 45 - See www.rpglobalalliance.org for Psalm tune helps.

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**God tells us that
Ezra read from
the book of the Law
day after day
and that
the people of God
were filled with joy!**

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