

**The Judgment**

Series: WWJD...Today? The Foundational Teachings of Jesus for Today's World

- A. Mt 24 - The Little Apocalypse or The Olivet Discourse: Jesus is talking about what will happen in the \_\_\_\_\_ times
- B. Mt 25 - Focus of Jesus' sermon shifts from what will be happening in those end times to what we should be considering in the \_\_\_\_\_ to prepare for the End Times
- C. Mt 25:1-13 - parable of the 10 virgins  
Always be \_\_\_\_\_/prepared for the time when Jesus comes back, because you will not have a chance to make last minute changes
- D. Mt 25:14-30 - Jesus gives the parable of the talents  
If you have used your life wisely for God, even \_\_\_\_\_ will be rewarded to you at the judgment. But if you have used your life unwisely, even what you have will be taken away.
- E. Mt 25:31-46 – The Sheep & the Goats  
The real rewards will be received by those who look beyond \_\_\_\_\_ to love God & other people.

**A Summary**

- 1. Jesus *indeed* is coming back one day to \_\_\_\_\_ all people (living & dead)
    - a. Could you *really* believe in a God that never held anyone accountable for anything?
    - b. Mt 12:36 - "I tell you this, that all people will give an account on judgment day of every careless word you speak in this life. By your words you will be forgiven, or by your words you will be condemned."
  - 2. If you accept Christ, then there is no \_\_\_\_\_, for the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin (Rom 8:1-2)
  - 3. For those who are in Christ, your \_\_\_\_\_ at the judgment will then be determined by how you have lived your life out for God (or not)
    - a. The rewards for faithful living will not come in the form of a nicer mansion, or a lakefront view, rather the rewards will come only as we are able to give to the Lord Jesus Christ the things we have done for him in this life
    - b. Goat = you are the only one who didn't bring a present to the party
      - 1) goats did not get condemned for bad things they said or did
      - 2) goats were separated from the sheep because of what they did not do & what they left undone
  - 4. Being rewarded by God is found ultimately in moving beyond \_\_\_\_\_ to the places of loving other people- caring for the person in the ditch, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, having concern for the prisoner
- A. end B. meantime C. ready D. more E. themselves 1. judge 2. condemnation 3. experience 4. yourself