

LESSON 10

THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS

Worksheets

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Who was wise? Who was foolish?

Instructions: Write the following statements in the correct side of the chart below.

1. Went to find oil
2. Had extra oil in their lamps
3. Didn't have enough oil to share
4. Bridegroom didn't know them
5. Ran out of oil
6. Knocked on the door
7. Were prepared and ready for the marriage
8. Went with the bridegroom

Which Were Wise?	Which Were Foolish?

Instructions: Fill in the blanks below.

1. The bridegroom represents _____.
2. The _____ represent believers or people of the world.
3. The oil represents the _____.
4. The _____ represents Jesus taking His believers to heaven.
5. The _____ represent the chosen vessels of God.

Instructions: Luke 12:35-40 teaches us some very important things about the second coming of Christ. Turn to the passage and fill in the blanks below.

- v. 35 - "Let your _____ be girded and your lamps _____."
- v. 36 - "You yourselves be like men who _____ for their _____, when he will _____ from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may _____ to him _____."
- v. 37 - "_____ are those servants whom the master, when he _____, will find _____."
- v. 38 - "And if he should come in the _____ watch, or come in the _____ watch, and find them so, _____ are those _____."
- v. 39 - "But know this, that if the master of the house had _____ what _____ the _____ would come, he would have _____ and not allowed his house to be _____ into."
- v. 40 - "Therefore you also be _____, for the _____ of _____ is coming at an _____ you do not _____."

Just as the servants have to always be ready for the master to appear at any time, we also have to be ready to receive Jesus when He comes again. This means that we have to **prepare** ourselves and **watch diligently** for Him. The moment we slack off and forget about Him, or decide that there are other things that we could be doing, He may appear. And, like the bridegroom did with the five foolish virgins, if He appears when we aren't ready, then we will be barred from the kingdom of heaven!

But how are we supposed to prepare ourselves? Being prepared means being diligent towards God in our daily lives, and living a life according to God's Word.

Instructions: Read the verses below and write down what kind of actions we are supposed to take in order to prepare ourselves. The first has been given as an example to help you along.

Romans 6:2: We must admit our sins and repent.

Romans 12:2: _____

Matthew 5:44: _____

Psalms 19:14: _____



Being Responsible for My Spirituality

What Is Spirituality?

First of all, what exactly is "spirituality"? Our spirituality is our **connection with God**. The greater your spirituality, the deeper your connection with God. However, it isn't something that grows by itself—we have to **actively seek God in order to make it grow**. It's very easy for us to think of attending church as a formality, a custom, or even a habit. But attending services, learning about God in RE classes, and even taking part in fellowships are all things we do in order to make our spirituality grow.

Right now, you probably attend church because your parents bring you every week. But, just like the five wise virgins in the parable, we cannot rely on others. We have to fill our lamps ourselves. This means that **we must be responsible for our own spirituality**.

Read the following scenarios and Bible verses, and then write down how we can develop our spirituality.

Scenario #1

Cynthia is almost finished with her school year and she's been very busy with her final science project, tests, and her upcoming piano recital. Every day when she gets home from school, she works hard until bedtime to prepare for all those things. Before she goes to bed, she usually feels quite tired. However, she always remembers that she must spend time with God. So, before sleeping, she takes out her Bible and reads. As she reads, she also likes to take notes, especially on questions that she has about the passages. She then prays and goes to bed.

Psalm 1:2 - "But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night."



We can develop our spirituality by _____



Scenario #2

Ethan is a very loving person and frequently has guests over his house. He often holds fellowships and Bible studies at his house, and many out-of-town guests stay at his home, too.

One of his frequent guests, Tyler, always rings the doorbell several times in a row. All of the other guests only ring it once and Ethan is there to open the door in only a few seconds. Tyler's actions make Ethan a little angry because the incessant ringing annoys him and disturbs the guests that have already arrived. However, instead of saying angry words to Tyler, Ethan waits to think about what to say and how to say it, before telling Tyler what he thinks.

Psalm 34:13 - "Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit."

We can develop our spirituality by _____

Scenario #3

During lunchtime at school, Kimberly would always get her books knocked off the table by Lisa. They used to be friends back in first grade, but for some reason, Lisa just didn't like Kimberly anymore. However, Kimberly never did or said anything back to Lisa whenever this happened. She simply picked up her books and continued eating her lunch.

One afternoon, after school, Kimberly saw Lisa walking home ahead of her. She kept her distance so that Lisa won't do anything to her. But then she saw Lisa trip and scratch herself on the sidewalk. Even from a distance, Kimberly could see that it really hurt, so she ran over to see if Lisa was okay. When she got there, she saw that Lisa was bleeding a little, so she washed the scratch with water from her bottle and gives Lisa a Band-Aid from her bag. Lisa couldn't believe it; she had bullied Kimberly every day at lunch, but instead of treating her like an enemy, Kimberly helped her when she was hurt.



Matthew 5:44 - "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you."

We can develop our spirituality by _____

Fill Me, Holy Spirit

Objective: To understand the importance of being filled with the Holy Spirit and spiritually prepared for the Lord's Second Coming.

What does it mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

To be filled with the Spirit means to allow the Holy Spirit to control us rather than giving in to the world. When we try to live a more holy life, we follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit and make choices according to God's Word.

What does it mean to receive power with the Holy Spirit?

Just before Jesus went up to heaven, He said, "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you" (Acts 1:8).

Have you ever seen someone who's drunk? You immediately know they are drunk because of the characteristics they display—they can't speak properly, can't walk properly, are slow to act, and make poor decisions.

In very much the same way, it's very easy to see when someone is filled with the Holy Spirit. What kind of characteristics does this person show? Read Galatians 5:22-23 and list them below:

All of these are characteristics of a Christian. This means that in order to truly be a Christian, one must be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reflect on your level of oil. Are you filled with the Holy Spirit? How much have you prepared? Has the flame died out? Whether or not you have the Holy Spirit, think about how you are keeping up with your spirituality: Are you reading the Bible daily? Praying? Obeying your parents? Following God's words?

Draw a line in the lamp that you think shows the level of oil you have right now, and then fill in the blanks.



Time I Spend Adding Oil...

Through prayer:

_____ minutes per day

Through Bible reading:

_____ minutes per day

On the next page, read each scenario and discuss the questions that follow.

1. During prayer time, Patrick always has a hard time concentrating and staying focused. He constantly feels the urge to open his eyes and look around a little bit. During the longer prayers, he checks the clock every few minutes.

Is Patrick filled with the Holy Spirit?

What should he be doing instead?

2. Arthur just finished praying during the RE prayer at church. After heading back into his E2 classroom, he noticed that his pencil box was on the floor with everything, its contents scattered all over the floor. Roger had been sitting next to him, and he knew that he was a clumsy person. When Roger came back in, Arthur asked if he did it. Roger replied saying that it was possible that he knocked it over when he left the classroom. Arthur got angry with him, called him a "clumsy pig," and decided to push all of Roger's things onto the floor, too. They both started to argue.

Is Arthur filled with the Holy Spirit?

What should he have done instead?

3. Craig has been best friends with Philip, Randy, and Juan for over seven years. However, in recent years, his friends have changed. They like to go to parties, and their speech is littered with many inappropriate words. They often invite Craig to hang out and play video games on Saturdays. It is hard for Craig to resist, as these are his childhood friends and he enjoys their company. But, he is even closer friends with God and watchful about his spirituality. Eventually, his friends change so much it seems like he doesn't know them anymore, and they drift apart.

Is Craig filled with the Holy Spirit?

Should he have done anything different?

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Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Matthew 25:13)**

Fill In the Blank

1. The bridegroom arrived late, after _____.
2. The five wise virgins brought extra _____.
3. While waiting for the bridegroom to arrive, the ten virgins _____.
4. When the bridegroom arrived, the five foolish virgins were _____.

Short Answer

5. Why were the five wise virgins unable to share with the foolish ones? What does this mean for us today?