The Kingdom of God, Then 6) Don't Be Smart...Be Wise '<u>Then</u> the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom' (Matt.25:1) *'Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming'* (Matt.25:13)

'I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ' (2 Cor.11:2)

'The spirit of a man is the lamp of the Lord' (Prov.20:27)

'You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven' (Matt.5:14-16)

`For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light...' (Eph.5:8) '...work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³ for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure' (Phil.2:12-13) "...that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world" (Phil.2:15) 'Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward' (1 Sam.16:13) '...how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?' (Heb.9:14) 'And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God' (Rom. 12:2) `But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord' (2 Cor.3:18) 'And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit' (Eph.5:18) *`For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus'* (1 Thes.4:14)

'Our friend Lazarus sleeps, but I go that I may wake him up' (John 11:11)

'And at midnight a cry was heard: "Behold, the bridegroom is coming; <u>go out to meet him</u>!"' (Matt.25:6) 'Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and <u>come forth</u>—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation'

(Jn.5:28-29)

'Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord' (1 Thes.4:17) 'Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh?'
(Gal.3:3) 'Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming' (Matt.25:13)

'Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you seems to be wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their own craftiness"; and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile" (1 Cor. 3: 18-20)

`Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ'

(2 Pet.1:10-11)