Until He Comes

(Part 1 - Ready & Watching!)

Text: Matthew 25:1-13 Main Idea: The true Church is ready & must be diligently watching for the imminent return of Christ's second coming! 1. Christ is ______ again to get His bride, the Church: Unexpectedly, personally, & visibly! (Matt 24:27,42,44, Acts 1:9, 1 Thess 4:16, 5:23, Rev 1:7) 2. The visible Church will always be a body of both authentic believers & non-believers until Christ comes again. (v. 1-4, Rom 8:9, Jn 3:5, Matt 7:22) **Note**: Visible Church is every person who makes a to be a Christian, both genuine believers & some deceived professors! The *Invisible* Church is the true Church, the genuinely converted (born again), which only God knows. (2 Tim 2:19) 3. The invisible Church is always in danger of becoming spiritually _____, being lulled to sleep by unbroken history, & by the busyness & the pleasures of this world! (v. 5, 2 Pet 3:4, Mark 13:32) 4. Christ is going to return suddenly and find some ready and many _____! (v. 6-10a) 5. Preparation requires being born again, which means that the _____ (oil) dwells in you, which is the mark of all true Christians. (Jn 3:1-8) 6. When Christ returns, only the prepared will enter heaven, while the unprepared will lose all _____ for salvation. (v. 10b-13) Are you _____? Are you _____?