

December 8, 2013

## Teaching Notes

### Jesus is Coming Advent 2013

#### Week Two

**John 1:12-13 (NLT)** <sup>12</sup> But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. <sup>13</sup> They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

**Matt 25:1-13 (NLT)**

<sup>1</sup> “The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of ten bridesmaids who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.

<sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup> The five who were foolish didn’t take enough olive oil for their lamps, <sup>4</sup> but the other five were wise enough to take along extra oil.

**Not everyone that’s been invited takes it \_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>5</sup> When the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

<sup>6</sup> “At midnight they were roused by the shout, ‘Look, the bridegroom is coming! Come out and meet him!’ <sup>7</sup> “All the bridesmaids got up and prepared their lamps. <sup>8</sup> Then the five foolish ones asked the others, ‘Please give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.’ <sup>9</sup> “But the others replied, ‘We don’t have enough for all of us. Go to a shop and buy some for yourselves.’

**Each of us bears \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for our readiness to meet Him.**

<sup>10</sup> “But while they were gone to buy oil, the bridegroom came. Then those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was locked. <sup>11</sup> Later, when

the other five bridesmaids returned, they stood outside, calling, ‘Lord! Lord! Open the door for us!’ <sup>12</sup> “But he called back, ‘Believe me, I don’t know you!’

**There is a window of opportunity that eventually \_\_\_\_\_.**

<sup>13</sup> “So you, too, must keep watch! For you do not know the day or hour of my return.

**I must maintain an \_\_\_\_\_ of readiness.**

**I will be better prepared if I am \_\_\_\_\_ and not simply \_\_\_\_\_!**

**How am I doing \_\_\_\_\_ to my spiritual readiness?**