



The King is Coming - Part 2

BIG IDEA

During the last week of Jesus' life, he made it a point to get alone with His disciples to prepare them not only for His death but His second coming. When He returns, it will not be lowly, riding on a donkey. It will be with power and might to finalize His work that He has already begun. The challenge for the Church today is to stay ready and make way for the King.

SCRIPTURES REFERENCED

- Matthew 24

PRAYER

DISCUSSION

- In Matthew 24:3–14, what are the key signs Jesus gives about the period before His return, and what do these signs reveal about the condition of the world and the hearts of people?
- What does Jesus say must happen before His return? What does that imply that the Church should be doing to prepare? What can GCC do?
- In the parable of the faithful and wicked servants, what distinguishes the faithful servant from the unfaithful one?
- In the parable of the ten bridesmaids, what does the “oil” represent, and why can't it be borrowed or shared?
- In the parable of the talents (three servants), what does faithful stewardship look like, and what is the consequence of neglect?
- Across all three parables, what consistent message is Jesus giving about readiness? How ready do you feel right now? What are you doing now to prepare?
- Who are you bringing to church on Easter Sunday? Which service do you plan to attend? Which do you plan to serve at?

PRAYER FOCUS

- Pray over all of the Easter gatherings at GCC and other churches
- Pray by first name for the person you are **bringing** to Easter