

Week of May 16<sup>th</sup> 2021 - Discussion Questions for Ohana Groups  
The Parable of the Ten Virgins | Matthew 25:1-13

**Overview**

The day and the hour of Jesus' return is unknown. Though we do not know for certain when Jesus will return, Jesus calls us to keep watch for his return. In the Parable of the Ten Virgins, Jesus reinforces the need to be prepared - however long or short the interval before Jesus' return may be.

**OHANA TIME!**

**Icebreaker:** Where have you had to wait the longest? (ex. airport, DMV, hospital)

**Ohana Time!** (this is an opportunity to be creative and to try out new things as an Ohana Group! Feel free to include children): What would you include in an emergency kit for a natural disaster? Prepare an emergency kit together.

**BIBLE: Read Matthew 25:1-13**

1. In what ways were the 10 women alike or different in the parable?
2. What unexpected event takes place (verses 5-6)? With what embarrassing consequence (verse 8)?
3. Why did the women who had oil not share with those who did not have any?
4. What stands out to you (characters, phrases, statements) in the parable?
5. Why is readiness so important in regard to the Second Coming of Christ?
6. Do you identify more with the women with oil or the women without oil?

**APPLICATION**

1. Have you in the past (or in the present) tried to live off the "oil" of someone else's faith? If so, whose faith? Why is it important to carry your own "oil"?
2. What does Jesus expect Christians to do with their lives in anticipation of his return? In what ways does Christ's second coming affect the way you live? How are you staying prepared for his return? Reflect on 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11. How can you take steps to be "awake" and "children of the light"?
3. How would you explain the end times and Jesus' return to a non-Christian?

**PRAYER**

1. As you consider Christ's return, how can your Ohana Group pray for you?
2. Pray that you may be prepared for Jesus' return.
3. Pray that you may continue to encourage one another and build each other in light of Jesus' return (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

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