Questions On Matthew Chapter 25

1. Verses 1-13 tell the story of the 10 virgins. What were they planning to do (who were they planning to meet?)

    a. Verse 1 begins with "then" or "at that time." At what time? (*Hint — think of the topic that ended chapter 24*)

    b. What distinguished the foolish virgins from the wise ones?

    c. Who is compared to "virgins" in 2 Corinthians 11:2 and Revelation 14:4?

2. What problem did the foolish virgins have when the bridegroom finally arrived?

    a. For what did they ask the 5 wise virgins?

    b. Though it may seem selfish of the 5 wise virgins not to share, this observation makes what point about judgment day?

    c. Though some burdens can be borne by others (Gal. 6:2), when it comes to personal responsibility every man shall bear what? (Gal. 6:5)

3. What is the overall point of the parable of the 10 virgins?

4. In the parable of the talents (vs. 14-30), how were the master's possessions divided and distributed?

    a. What does the word "talent" mean in this passage? How do people often misinterpret and misapply this word?

b. How much time did the master give the servants to do their work? (19)

c. Based upon the actions of the 5 & 2 talent servants and the master's reaction to their service, what can we conclude about what the master *equally* expected from his servants?

d. How did the 1-talent servant differ from the 5 & 2 talent servants?

e. What happened to the 1-talent man's talent?

f. How does this parable debunk the concept of socialism?

g. What happened to the 1-talent man himself?

5. Verses 31-46 depict what future scene?

a. How will people be divided, and upon what basis are they divided?

b. We often describe this event as "judgment" day but what does God actually do on that day?

6. Many judgment passages address man's attitude towards God and treatment of God? How does this passage differ? *(note that man's treatment of God is still involved, but indirectly — vs. 40 & 45)*

7. What two conditions are mentioned in the last verse?

a. How do they differ and how are they the same?