

BA Commentary: Matthew 25-28

Jesus Doesn't Grade Intention. He Judges Obedience.

Jesus isn't telling bedtime stories here.

He's warning men who claim to follow Him that **they can still miss Him**.

Ten virgins.

Five were ready. Five were not.

All of them believed the groom was coming.

But belief without preparation is **dead religion**.

The door shut.

Jesus said, *"Truly, I do not know you."*

That's not poetic.

That's **eternal separation** for people who looked like believers—but never lived like disciples.

Then comes the **parable of the talents**.

Three servants. Two invested. One buried.

Why? Fear. Insecurity. Excuses.

Jesus doesn't call him cautious.

He calls him:

"Wicked. Lazy. Useless."

Because **fear doesn't excuse disobedience**.

And then comes the final dividing line—the **sheep and the goats**.

Jesus doesn't ask them what they believed.

He asks them how they **loved**. How they **served**. How they **obeyed**.

"What you did for the least of these, you did for Me."

"What you didn't do... you didn't do for Me."

Judgment isn't based on lip service.

It's measured in lifestyle.

Matthew 26 – Jesus Is Obedient When Everyone Else Isn't

This chapter exposes every failure of man and every victory of Christ.

- A woman breaks a jar of expensive perfume to anoint Jesus—**worship through sacrifice**.
- Judas sells the Son of God for 30 pieces of silver—**betrayal for convenience**.

- The disciples fall asleep when they were asked to watch and pray—**spiritual laziness at the worst moment.**

And in the middle of it all is **Jesus**.

In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus sweats blood.

He's overwhelmed. But He submits.

"Not My will, but Yours be done."

That's what real manhood looks like.

Not bravado. Not avoidance.

Surrender under pressure. Obedience in agony.

He's arrested. Peter cuts off an ear. Jesus tells him to put the sword away.

He's not building an empire. He's laying down His life.

Matthew 27 – The Cross Isn't Defeat. It's the Crown

Jesus is paraded like a criminal.

Beaten, mocked, spat on.

But this isn't loss—it's fulfillment.

The crowd that once yelled "Hosanna" now yells "Crucify."

Pilate washes his hands.

Jesus carries the cross.

And when He's nailed up between thieves, He doesn't curse.

He **bleeds mercy**.

"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

"It is finished."

"Into Your hands I commit My spirit."

Then the temple curtain tears from top to bottom.

The earth shakes.

Tombs open.

A hardened Roman centurion says:

"Surely this was the Son of God."

No one can remain neutral when faced with the cross.

Matthew 28 – The Tomb Is Empty. Your Excuse Is Too.

The stone didn't roll away so Jesus could get out.

It rolled away so we could see the truth.

He **isn't here**. He's alive.

He appears to the women first—giving them the message.
Then to His disciples.

He doesn't say "retreat and regroup."

He says:

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.
Therefore, **go and make disciples** of all nations..."

This isn't a suggestion.

It's a **deployment order**.

The King rose.

Now the men rise.

Theological Themes

- **Preparedness isn't optional** (Matt. 25)
- **Faithfulness is measured in action** (Matt. 25)
- **Obedience under pressure reveals true sonship** (Matt. 26)
- **The cross is the substitutionary atonement** for sin (Matt. 27)
- **Resurrection means Lordship—total authority belongs to Jesus** (Matt. 28)
- **The Great Commission is the non-negotiable call of every believer** (Matt. 28)

Masculine Implications

- If you're not ready, you're not safe.
- If you're burying your gifts, you're rebelling—not protecting.
- If you're silent in the garden, you'll fall in the courtyard.
- If you're passive about the cross, you're blind to the cost.
- If you're ignoring the Commission, you're not on His team—you're in the way.

Final Charge

Jesus didn't die for you to waste your life.

So get your oil.

Use your talent.

Repent for your sleep.

Pick up your cross.

Get out of the tomb you've made your home.

And go do what the King said:

Make. Disciples.

He finished the mission so you could carry it forward.

Don't be lazy.

Don't be fake.

Don't delay.

Be found faithful.