Foolish Virgins

A study of Scriptures (KJV) and quotations from Rev. William Marrion Branham

MATTHEW 25:1-13

- 1. Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. 2. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.
- 3. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:
- 4. But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.
- 5. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.
- 6. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. 7. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.
- 8. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.
- 9. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.
- 10. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.
- 11. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.
- 12. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.
- 13. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

THE PATMOS VISION [60-1204E]

Q. Brother Branham, are the five foolish virgins of Matthew 25 counted as the Gentile remnant? <u>I understand that the five foolish virgins were saved but have to go through the great tribulation period.</u> Is this correct? If so, what will be their final destination? Could they be the sheep which are divided from the goats in Matthew 25:33 and 34?

Pretty good theologian according to what I... [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]... think it too, that they are the remnant, the sleeping virgin is the remnant spoke of in Revelation; of the woman's seed that keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. A woman will take a--a piece of goods and lay it down; well, now, that is what she's cutting her... or takes her pattern and lays anywhere she desires, which way she's going to cut that. And then what she has left over is called the remnant, but she chooses to cut it from a certain place by her own free thinking. But what's left over is called the remnant.

Now, if you'll notice, there were five foolish and five wise virgins; all of them was virgins, made out of the same material. But, by election, God chose His Bride by election before the foundation of the world, put their names on the Lamb's Book of Life slain before the foundation of the world; before the world ever began, God in His mind, being infinite.

THE 10 VIRGINS AND THE 144,00 JEWS [60-1211M]

And the "foolish" virgins, now, did not have Oil in their lamp, but they had everything else: they were clean, they believed in Christ; they preached the Word that they believed, their denomination would let them preach, they preached that, the Second Coming, the Sacrifice, the Atonement. They believe.

GOD BEING MISUNDERSTOOD [61-0723E]

Q140. Now, were the five of the virgins lost?

I presume that they are asking the question, "the five virgins," the five wise and the five foolish. Now, if you were with us in the last teachings in Revelation, you find out there that those virgins, the--the five foolish virgins were not lost; but they were not permitted to go into the wedding supper, but they suffered persecution, and was martyred, and raised again at the general resurrection in the last day. Those are the people where He separated the sheep from the goats (See?); they stood before judgment.

GOD BEING MISUNDERSTOOD [61-0723E]

No, they were not lost, but they will never be in the Bride. They were come in the second resurrection, but never be in the Bride, to be judged according to the way they treated the Light that they received. Now, that part will be up to Christ. They were not lost though.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS [61-1015M]

Q164. Let's see, Brother Branham, what happens to the people that are--are considered the sleeping virgin when they are judged at the judgment?

Well, <u>the sleeping virgin will be saved of course</u>. She'll be saved at the judgment. She'll never be the Bride, but <u>she is a saved group of people that will come in the judgmen</u>t, that will not be included in the Bride. But as long as they are virgins, they are before God. See? <u>They are to be saved</u>. He separates... They'll be the sheep on His right side. And the unsaved will be the goats on His left at the great white throne judgment.

GOD HIDING HIMSELF IN SIMPLICITY [63-0412E]

The foolish virgin didn't know until she come back and found the wise virgin gone, then she was left for the Tribulation period.

GOD HIDING HIMSELF IN SIMPLICITY [63-0412E]

The church goes through the Tribulation, but not the Bride. The church goes through, for purification, sure, under the sixth seal. Right. Israel does the same thing, for the hundred and forty-four thousand, but not the Bride.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT2 [64-0823E]

Q306. <u>After the Bride is raptured</u> will any of the foolish virgin be saved or will they all be lost? No. See, <u>everything will be finished for the Gentile church when the Bride is taken from the earth</u>. The Spirit of God leaves the earth: "He that's filthy is filthy still; he that's righteous is righteous still; he that's holy is holy still."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT2 [64-0823E]

Whatever happens she--happens now. After that time she's in the state... Now, she will have to go through the tribulation period.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT1 [64-0823M]

See, the Gentile Bride is in heaven, and <u>the sleeping virgin</u>, the Gentile virgin, is not to be saved during that time; <u>she's already been saved</u>, <u>but has been rejected in the Bride</u>.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT1 [64-0823M]

She's not saved during that time; **she's saved now** from eternal death; **but she will have to go through the tribulation period for the purification**.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT4 [64-0830E]

Q403. When you use the expression that if we do not believe the Word, we will be eternally separated from Christ, do you mean the foolish virgin will live eternally, but they will be separated from the new Jerusalem where Christ will dwell with the Bride? Here are those who do not have the Holy Spirit, born again as the Scripture speaks of being born again. If the natural birth requires water, blood, and spirit, does not the spiritual birth require all three stages of grace before the person is truly born again?

<u>Absolutely</u>, I just explained that this morning--the same, on the same thing. You've got to have all stages. You're begotten of the Spirit, just like a baby's begotten into the womb of a mother, but not born until they receive the Holy Ghost. That's right. You're born then; you're not converted. You're in the procession of being converted until that time.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT4 [64-0830E]

Q406. Where are the foolish virgins during the Millennium?

<u>In the Millennium they're in the grave</u>. "The rest of the dead lived not for a thousand years."

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It is the second resurrection wherein the five foolish virgins come up. Notice that they were virgins. They did not have the Holy Spirit so they missed being in the bride, while the five wise who had oil became a part of that bride. But these people, being a separated, God-loving people, and trying to abide in the Word, according to what they knew of it, and being a help in the work of the Lord will come up at the end of time. They will miss the millennium, which you can begin to see by these truths is much more important and wonderful than we have ever thought or believed.

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Secondly, there is another class. <u>Their names are also in the Book of Life</u> and they will come up in the second resurrection. Such are the foolish virgins and the righteous as are spoken of in Matthew 25. In this class also are those who do not worship the beast or become involved in the antichrist system but die for their faith even though they are not in the bride, not having been born again. But <u>they will come up in the second resurrection and go into eternal life</u>.