Pastor BJ Chursinoff A Vivid Picture of the Coming Kingdom Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus physically comes back to earth and He sets up His

_____ where He rules and reigns.

_____ people will enter into His Kingdom. And

_____ people will not.

From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for <u>the</u> <u>kingdom of heaven</u> is at hand." - Matthew 4:17

Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. <u>Your kingdom come</u>, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven..." - Matthew 6:9-10

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, <u>your king is coming to you</u>; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." - Zechariah 9:9

As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, <u>and what will</u> <u>be the sign of your coming</u> and of the end of the age?" - Matthew 24:3

When this Kingdom comes there will be both an entrance into it and an exclusion from it:

- Matthew 25:1-13 = Wise bridesmaids are going in. The foolish ones are not.
- Matthew 25:14-30 = The faithful servants are going in. The wicked servant is not.
- Matthew 25:31-46 = The sheep are going in. The goats are not.

THE BIG QUESTION:

Who are these ones who are going into the Kingdom of Heaven when it comes? And who are the ones who are going to be excluded from the Kingdom?

A person must be ______ for Jesus when He comes back if they are going to enter into His Kingdom.

TAKE-AWAYS:

- 1. Jesus _____ = Readiness you need to enter the kingdom.
- 2. Jesus is the "_____" kind of readiness you need to have for eternal life.

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. - Ephesians 5:31-32

3. Faith in Jesus is ______.

4. The oil in this parable is very ______.

"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has alorified you. "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon." - Isaiah 55:1-7