

# Matthew 25

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



**1** Then shall the kingdom of the heavens be made like to ten virgins that having taken their torches, went forth to meet the bridegroom. **2** And five of them were prudent and five foolish. **3** They that were foolish took their torches and did not take oil with them; **4** but the prudent took oil in their vessels with their torches. **5** Now the bridegroom tarrying, they all grew heavy and slept. **6** But in the middle of the night there was a cry, Behold, the bridegroom; go forth to meet him. **7** Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their torches. **8** And the foolish said to the prudent, Give us of your oil, for our torches are going out. **9** But the prudent answered saying, We cannot, lest it might not suffice for us and for you. Go rather to those that sell, and buy for yourselves. **10** But as they went away to buy, the bridegroom came, and the ones that were ready went in with him to the wedding feast, and the door was shut. **11** Afterwards come also the rest of the virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us; **12** but he answering said, Verily I say unto you, I do not know you. **13** Watch therefore, for ye know not the day nor the hour.

**14** For it is as if a man going away out of a country called his own bondmen and delivered to them his substance. **15** And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to each according to his particular ability, and immediately went away out of the country. **16** And he that had received the five talents went and trafficked with them, and made five other talents. **17** In like manner also he that had received the two, he also gained two others. **18** But he that had received the one went and dug in the earth, and hid the money of his lord. **19** And after a long time the lord of those bondmen comes and reckons with them. **20** And he that had received the five talents came to him and brought five other talents, saying, My lord, thou deliveredst me five talents; behold, I have gained five other talents besides them. **21** His lord said to him, Well, good and faithful bondman, thou wast faithful over a few things, I will set thee over many things: enter into the joy of thy lord. **22** And he also that had received the two talents came to him and said, My lord, thou deliveredst me two talents; behold, I have gained two other talents besides them. **23** His lord said to him, Well, good and faithful bondman, thou wast faithful over a few things, I will set thee over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. **24** And he also that had received the one talent coming to him said, My lord, I knew thee that thou art a hard man, reaping where thou hadst not sowed, and gathering from where thou hadst not scattered, **25** and being afraid I went away and hid thy talent in the earth; behold, thou hast that which is thine. **26** And his lord answering said to him, Wicked and slothful bondman, thou knewest that I reap where I had not sowed, and gather from where I had not scattered; **27** thou oughtest then to have put my money to the money-changers, and when I came I should have got what is mine with interest. **28** Take therefore the talent from him, and give it to him that has the ten talents: **29** for to every one that has shall be given, and he shall be in abundance; but from him that has not, that even which he has shall be taken from him. **30** And cast out the useless bondman into the outer darkness; there shall be the weeping and the gnashing of teeth.

**31** But when the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then shall he sit down upon his throne of glory, **32** and all the nations shall be gathered before him; and he shall separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; **33** and he will set the sheep on his right hand, and the goats on his left. **34** Then shall the King say to those on his right hand, Come, blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the world's foundation: **35** for I hungered, and ye gave me to eat; I thirsted, and ye gave me to drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; **36** naked, and ye clothed me; I was ill, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came to me. **37** Then shall the righteous answer him saying, Lord, when saw we thee hungering, and nourished thee; or thirsting, and gave thee to drink? **38** and when saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in; or naked, and clothed thee? **39** and when saw we thee ill, or in prison, and came to thee? **40** And the King answering shall say to them, Verily, I say to you, Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it to me. **41** Then shall he

say also to those on the left, Go from me, cursed, into eternal fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: **42** for I hungered, and ye gave me not to eat; I thirsted, and ye gave me not to drink; **43** I was a stranger, and ye took me not in; naked, and ye did not clothe me; ill, and in prison, and ye did not visit me. **44** Then shall *they* also answer saying, Lord, when saw we thee hungering, or thirsting, or a stranger, or naked, or ill, or in prison, and have not ministered to thee? **45** Then shall he answer them saying, Verily I say to you, Inasmuch as ye have not done it to one of these least, neither have ye done it to me. **46** And these shall go away into eternal punishment, and the righteous into life eternal.