

When the King Comes

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Text: Matthew 25

Note that we are in the last of the five discourses (26:1, last summary statement, thus is our beginning point.

We can see the last word in last teaching section in Matthew: eternal life, lit., life eternal.

This discourse includes five parables on preparation—

- 24:37 as it was....so it will be
- householder 24:42....
- 25:1 like....
- 25:14 like....
- 25:31 = parabolic prophecy.

Check out parallel constructions from 24:37 to 25:30

24:37, as it was...

24:42, therefore keep watch

24:43, householder

Conclusion, 25:51, with gnashing of teeth

25:1, koh will be like...

25:13, therefore keep watch

25:14, it will be like...

Conclusion, 25:30, with gnashing of teeth

25:31, when the son of man comes....

Our text is the last parable: 25:31-46, Glory as God himself, glorious throne, picture of king
Before him would be gathered (divine passive)....

25:34, only time Jesus ever refers to himself as King

What an invitation, final invitation

Inherit your place in the kingdom.

Four times in same order, these things are listed—hunger, thirst, stranger, clothing, sick, prison.

Good people don't remember all the good things they do.

This is a summary of how the King's followers treat people.

All of life, this is the standard, this is normal.

These are examples. How know that? Two "C"s: context and common sense. Are we helping people?

Are we servants? Are we ministers?

We have influences we never know about.