Reading: - Matthew Chapter 25

This story is about a bride who had ten bridesmaids, all patiently waiting for the bridal procession to arrive. Five of them were ready with their little oil lamps trimmed and full of oil, but the other five had not bothered, and although they had lamps they were not trimmed and empty, and they could not go out into the darkness without them.

During the long wait for the procession to arrive, the bridesmaids grew weary, and one by one they fell asleep. At midnight, the cry of the people were saying "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him". Then all the bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps. But five had no oil, and they said to the others give us some of your oil, our lamps have gone out. But they told the five bridesmaids to go and buy some for yourselves.

But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The bridesmaids who were ready went into the bride's house, and the door was shut, and, the other five bridesmaides were shut out and couldn't get in.

We don't have to have a little oil lamp ready, trimmed and full of oil, but we do have to think often about Jesus coming back and by doing all the good things and trying to live good lives, so we can be ready for Jesus when he returns to the earth.

Point to remember:- Jesus is coming back one day to rule the world, and we should always be ready and watching for him.