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The Kingdom of Heaven is Like – Part 3

The Wise and Foolish Virgins

Matthew 25:1-13



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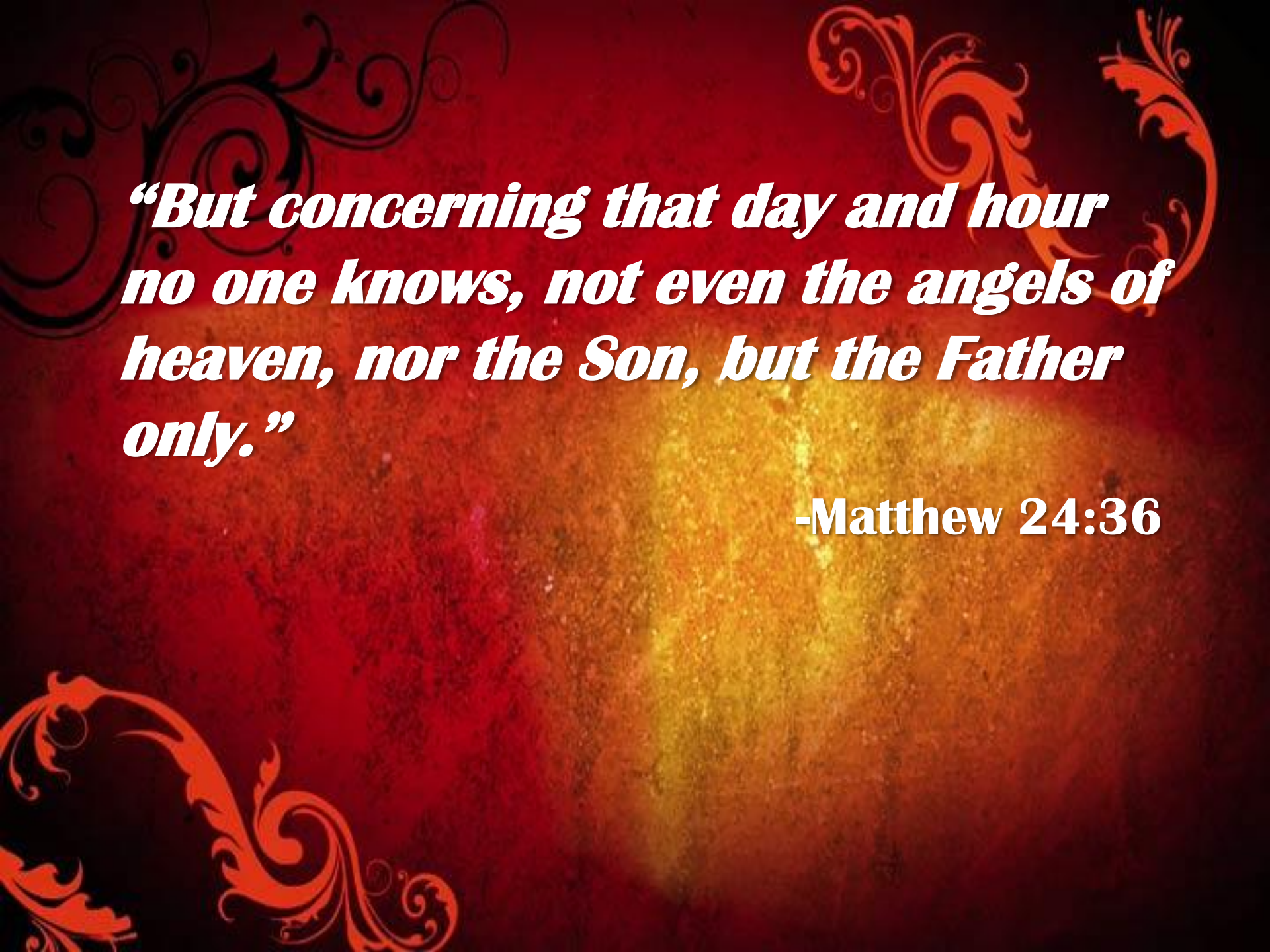
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- 3. We feel a sense of injustice when someone who has waited less time is served first**

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The Elements of the Parable:

- **The Ten Virgins = Potential followers of Jesus**
- **The Bridegroom = Jesus**
- **The Oil & Lamps = The level of preparedness of those waiting for Jesus**
- **The Wedding = The fully established Kingdom of Heaven**



***“But concerning that day and hour
no one knows, not even the angels of
heaven, nor the Son, but the Father
only.”***

-Matthew 24:36



Two potential mistakes as we wait for Jesus:

1. Assuming the delay will be long

2. Assuming the delay is short and Jesus' return is imminent



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“And aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one.”

-1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

“Keep your conduct among Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.”

-1 Peter 2:12









