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Half are Wise, Half are Foolish;

Instruction on Maté

What do you want to be? What do you want to be? This is what I want to be: I want to be in love with you all of my days.

Our Master said, "If we have His commandments and keep them we love Him." We are people who have His commandments. Do we have His commandments? Yes. If we keep them we love Him. These are the only people who love Him. And then He said He will reveal Himself, disclose Himself to them. I think these are the ones who have the extra oil. Those who didn't have wisdom, discretion, understanding don't have then the extra oil. They never really obeyed Him. He never could disclose Himself to the foolish virgins.

Five went in, five were excluded from the wedding feast. That's ten altogether. It represents probably all the disciples. We are all virgins being forgiven for our past. All ten had the Holy Spirit. Five didn't do what the word tells us to do in order to gain wisdom. They never really sought for it, like Proverbs teaches us. They always put it aside and had something else to do. They never got wisdom.

To not be wise just means to be wicked, to not seek Him and desire to do His will. Wisdom and understanding are available to us. We are not wicked like outsiders, committing atrocities — we just go along in the Body but don't seek Him. The only ones who seek Him are the ones who want to know Him.

Paul said in Phil 3:10-13 that there has to be a compatibility. We have to take hold of Him for the purpose He took hold of us, or we won't be wise but foolish, not being used for what He created and redeemed us for. That would be a horrible thing, especially if you are redeemed. If we didn't use all of our gifts to walk in the works preordained, it's because we don't have wisdom. We wouldn't be faithful. Rev 17:14 — Only the faithful will be taken up; the others are foolish. The foolish will not be part of the great army He's mustering in the last days to bring judgment to the world. Wouldn't it be awful to not be part of the stone? He cut us out of the world, but the worldliness wasn't cut out of us.

We all know what it means to be cut out of the world. You studied it, you read it. That's all you talk about, because that's who you are, but now the world is taken out of us. If not we won't have discretion. Pr 2:9-11 — Discretion will protect you. What you hear now will be pleasant to your soul — verse 10. Verses 7-8 — He protects the way of the faithful ones. Verse 12 — Wisdom will save you from the wicked, from the underground, from those who try to lead you astray (Titus 1:15). Pr 2:12 — Their words are perverse; they are not building up. They left their straight path they entered into at baptism and try to get others to their side. Darkness is the underground. They bring death.

Quit biting your fingernails, you'll never enter the kingdom if you bite your fingernails.

Verse 14 — Do you know anyone like that who delights in doing wrong? Verse 15 — You can see what it leads up to. Verses 21-22 — Those who are pulled out of the land, and those who remain. Pr 3:1-17 — Don't lean, trust in your own understanding. Verse 8 — health to your body, to your bones, nourishment to your bones. Verse 10 — This is talking about the grain and drink offering. You will be able to praise and give Him everything He deserves.

If He doesn't discipline you, you are not loved. The Father doesn't discipline a son He doesn't love. If you don't get much discipline, your Father doesn't love you. He doesn't care, He ignores you. He doesn't take His time for you, doesn't care if you go to hell. Verse 11-12 — Our Father disciplines us. If you get more discipline than others, you are more loved.

Verse 13 — Wisdom has to be found by searching for it. Understanding is gained. Verse 17 — That's what it is: a good life. That's the path the wise virgins are on. The foolish virgins are on the broad path.

When you are having your Father in your heart, His Spirit, you are living, breathing for Him. You reject thoughts and sins for Him. He loves that. He is a good Father. He disciplines you.

Pr 2:11 — How does discretion guard you? What is discretion? Discretion, prudence, a chosen consideration, circumspect, know everything, not surprise attack, consistency, diplomacy, good sense. That's a wise virgin. All the wise virgins stand up and give their sacrifice. Only the wise and not the foolish. The foolish need to be seated. Only the wise stand up, those who are preparing for our Master. They brought the extra oil. Don't stand here as a pretender.

Remember, there is a possibility that, if there are 100 people here, only 50 might be able to enter the kingdom — five wise, five foolish. But it might be that because He has chosen us from the very beginning we are the wise. Maybe the ones that come in later are the foolish. Maybe there are 100,000 people in Reuben, and 50,000 will be taken, 50,000 will be left behind. He told that parable for a reason. 50 / 50. We have to be wise. There will be 50% foolish. No matter how much we try to help them, they won't do Heb 3:13; 10:24; 12:15. They are only interested in their own self, how they are affected: "No one comes to me, encourages me."

The wise are concerned for others. They will be overflowing. That's being wise. You have encouragement, you are a drink offering. We know how to be wise, what to do. The foolish think about what they have to do tomorrow. They are happy the minchah will be over. Always when you get twelve people together, one is a devil. There is always a Judas around; it's hard to imagine. An accuser — he's a bad elder. "Did you see how he did this or that?" Judas was a devil incarnated. Is there a devil here? "Will this place ever change? I'm the only righteous one here. Everybody does everything wrong." If you are like that, you don't have oil.

If you have an ear hear what the Spirit says to the edah.

A Word of Instruction about Maté:

Sometimes when we have pushes, stay up all night, we can make a strong maté. But it's just a futile thing to make it always strong. It's a waste; it's expensive. We can't really afford it. You went haywire on it, and that's why it was taken away. If we consider it as a narcotic or drug, we shouldn't have it. It's a stimulant, but not like coffee. Drink it in the morning, but not at night. It's good for you, but it needs to be controlled. We need to have moderation. If some don't have moderation, it hurts everybody. Don't take advantage of it and ruin it for everybody else. This is evil. If you drink it really strong, it's not good for you. I understand it's good for you. We want to get it here from South America. But you just can't go wild. We are called to have self-control.

Can we have moderation in the way we treat maté and think about it? It's a leaf of a tree. They take that tree, all the limbs and grind it up. The Indians used to drink it. It is good for your liver and bladder, your inner organs. Don't boil it. Bring the water to a boil, then turn it off, and then throw the maté into it and let it steep. It's okay to drink it a few times a day, but if we depend on it it's not good.

Last night they got into the maté and it was really strong. They probably drank — I don't know how much. Be careful, use discretion. What I understand about maté is that there is nothing bad about it. I've heard only good things. It's not an addiction like coffee. If you feel like you get addicted and you want to drink maté, just drink water. Maté is a diuretic. The only negative thing I know is that it keeps people up at night if they aren't used to drinking it. Don't boil it unless you want to get sick and throw up. Indians used to boil it if they wanted to throw up and get cleansed out.