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¹"Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten bridesmaids, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

²"Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.

³"For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them,

⁴but the wise took oil in flasks along with their lamps.

⁵"Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep.

⁶"But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.'

⁷"Then all those bridesmaids rose and trimmed their lamps.

⁸"The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.'

⁹"But the wise answered, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.'

¹⁰"And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut.

¹¹"Later the other bridesmaids also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.'

¹²"But he answered, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.'

¹³"Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

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Question: who are the ten bridesmaids?

Answer:

C. The	of the Parable
1.	Christ's arrival
2.	Christ's delay
3.	Christ's return
4.	Christ's salvation
5.	Christ's judgment
6.	Christ's kingdom

Personal Application . . .