

## Eight Parables

### Comparison of the Two Men and Women

#### Switch from *airō* to *paralambanō*

**MATTHEW 24:36–41:** <sup>36</sup> “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone. <sup>37</sup> “For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah. <sup>38</sup> “For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup> and they did not understand until the flood came and **took** them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be. <sup>40</sup> “Then there will be two men in the field; one will be **taken** and one will be left. <sup>41</sup> “Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be **taken** and one will be left.

**JOHN 14:1–3:** <sup>1</sup> “Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup> “In My Father’s house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> “If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and **receive** you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also.

**MATTHEW 4:5:** Then the devil **took** [*paralambanō*] Him into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple,

**MATTHEW 4:8:** Again, the devil **took** [*paralambanō*] Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory;

**MATTHEW 12:45:** “Then it goes and **takes** [*paralambanō*] along with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they

go in and live there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. That is the way it will also be with this evil generation.”

**MATTHEW 27:27:** Then the soldiers of the governor **took** [*paralambanō*] Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole Roman cohort around Him.

**JOHN 19:16:** So he then **handed Him over** [*paralambanō*] to them to be crucified.

**2 KINGS 2:1:** And it came about when the LORD was about to **take up** [*alah*] Elijah by a whirlwind to heaven, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.

**2 KINGS 2:3:** Then the sons of the prophets who were at Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that the LORD will **take away** [*laqach*] your master from over you today?” And he said, “Yes, I know; be still.”

**2 KINGS 2:5:** The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho approached Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that the LORD will **take away** [*laqach*] your master from over you today?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be still.”

**JOHN 19:15–16:** <sup>15</sup> So they cried out, “**Away with Him** [*airō*], away with Him, crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” <sup>16</sup> So he then **handed Him over** [*paralambanō*] to them to be crucified.

**MATTHEW 13:39:** and the enemy who sowed them is the devil, and the harvest is the end of the age; and the reapers are **angels**.

**MATTHEW 13:49:** “So it will be at the end of the age; the angels will come forth and take out the wicked from among the righteous

### **Day of hour can be known in the Tribulation**

**MATTHEW 24:36:** “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.

**MATTHEW 24:42:** Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming.

**Matt. 25:13-**Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

**1 THESSALONIANS 5:2–8:** <sup>2</sup> For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup> While they are saying, “Peace and safety!” then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup> But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief; <sup>5</sup> for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; <sup>6</sup> so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober. <sup>7</sup> For those who sleep do their sleeping at night, and those who get drunk get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup> But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation.

**REVELATION 16:15:** “Behold, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is the one who stays awake and keeps his clothes, so that he will not walk about naked and men will not see his shame.”

**GENESIS 6:3:** Then the LORD said, “My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be **one hundred and twenty years.**”

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**2 PETER 2:5:** and did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a **preacher** of righteousness, with seven others, when He brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;

### **Normal Activities at the End of the Tribulation?**

#### **Dave Hunt**

“When Christ says, “As it was in the days of Noah and Lot,” it is absolutely certain that He is not describing conditions that will prevail at the time of the Second Coming. Therefore, these must be the conditions which will prevail just prior to the Rapture at a different time—and, obviously, before the devastation of the tribulation period.”

#### **Roy Zuck**

“Usually a parable, like a sermon illustration, is teaching a single truth. When Jesus explained a number of His parables, He usually...stated one spiritual truth. For example when the man found his one lost sheep, he rejoiced, and Jesus said this illustrates

the truth that there is rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents (Luke 15:7)...He gave one simple spiritual lesson, and made no attempt to see any spiritual significance to the vineyard, the denarius, or the sixth hour, the ninth hour, or the eleventh hour, nor the vineyard foreman...To hunt for meanings in every detail in the parables is to turn them into allegories.” Roy Zuck, *Basic Bible Interpretation*, p. 215-16.

### **Peri De (“Now Concerning”) construction**

**MATTHEW 24:36:** “But (*peri de*) of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.

### **Wise Servant**

Heb. 4:12-For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

### **Sheep and Goats**

**Matthew 25:31–32** – <sup>31</sup> “But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> “All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

Rom. 9:3-For I could wish that I myself were accursed, *separated* from Christ for the sake of my **brethren**, my kinsmen according to the flesh

Jas. 2:20-But are you willing to recognize, you foolish fellow,  
that faith without works is useless?

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