

# The Ten Virgins

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1. Once, forth to meet the bride-groom, At night ten vir-gins went; Five  
2. Then all the fool-ish vir-gins Their need be-gan to tell; And  
3. Lord, Lord, un-to us o-pen, The fool-ish vir-gins cried; "I

lamps were trimmed for burn-ing, In five the oil was spent, And  
all the wise ones an-swered, Go ye to them that sell. The  
know ye not," un-to them The bride-groom's voice re-plied. O

while they slept and slum-bered, At mid-night rose the shout Be-  
fool-ish vir-gins hast-ened, In dark-ness, fear, and shame, The  
Christ-ians, learn the les-son, Your lamps be wise and trim, And

*Refrain*  
- hold the bride-groom com-eth, To meet him go ye out.  
wise ones rea-dy wait-ed, And lo the bride-groom came! Watch ye, there-fore,  
when the Bride-groom com-eth, Go glad-ly in with Him.



watch I say, Watch ye, there-fore, watch and pray; Ye know not the hour, ye



know not the day The Son of Man may come.

