

check your oil please

"and the foolish said to the wise, "give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' but the wise answered, saying, 'no, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' and while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut." matt 25:8-10

will you be shut out or shut in when the time comes? i venture to say that if one is not shut in with God now, they will be shut out when the bridegroom comes. we all need to have our oil filled daily; even moment by moment.

i think of how the face of moses shined from being in God's presence and how the glow slowly diminished in His absence. one needs to frequent visits to have the glow continue. He is the light that brings us to life, renewed over and over. have you ever heard the song, "shut in with God?" here are partial lyrics.

shut in with God
in a secret place,
there in the Spirit
beholding His Face...
gaining more power
to run in this race...
o how i long to be
shut in with God!

shut in with God

while kneeling in prayer,
finding His beauty
and glory there....
i bow in wonder
at His awesome grace,
as He shuts me in
His Holy place.

as i'm shut in with God,
my strength is renewed,
i soar like a eagle,
i'm born anew...
o the wonder!
o the grace!
as i'm shut in with God
in this holy place!

don't let your glow fade. it surely will the longer
you stray from His presence. check your oil and make
sure you have a reserve stored for when His call comes.
i can almost hear it now. "behold, the Bridegroom is
coming; go out to meet Him!" matt 25:6