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“Always Ready - Npaaj Sab Ntsoov Tog”

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Thov txuj koob txujmoov txujkev hlub hab txujkev humxebb pub rua suavdlawg lug ntawm Vaajtswv kws yog peb Leejtxiv kws yog peb tug Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees.

Matthew 25:13 “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour – *Mej yuav tsum ceevfaaj, rua qhov mej tsi paub nub twg hab lub sijhawm twg yuav muaj le ntawd.*” Nuav Yog Vaajtswv Txujlug.
 (Cross Reference – Mathais 24:42-43; 25:12)

Illustration: “United States Military Logo”

(Show USCG Logo)



The United States Coast Guard Motto in Latin is called **Semper Paratus** and it mean “Always Ready”

(Show USMC Logo)



The Marine Motto said **Semper Fidelis** it mean “Always Faithful”

(Show Army Logo) Army has No Motto but catch phrases



"I Want YOU for US Army WWI
 "Today's Army Wants to Join You" 1971-1980
 Be All You Can Be 1980-2001
 "Army of One" 2001-2006 "Army Strong" 2006 - Present

(Show Navy Logo) Navy has No Motto but catch phrases



“Be Someone Special” 1973-1975
 “Navy. It’s Not Just A Job, It’s An Adventure” 1976
 “Live The Adventure” 1986-1988
 “You Are Tomorrow; You Are The Navy” 1988-1990
 “You and the Navy Full Speed Ahead” 1990
 “Let The Journey Begin” 1996

(Show US Air Force Logo) Air Force has No Motto but catch phrases



Aim High “Above All”
Fly – Fight –Win “No One Come Close”

(Show Civil Air Patrol Logo)



The Civil Air Patrol motto said **Semper Vigilans** it mean “Always Vigilant”

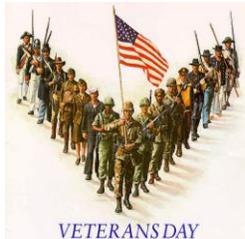
(Show boys and girls club Logo)



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

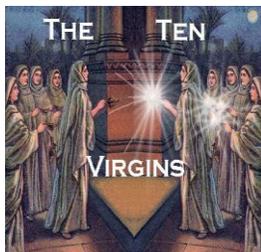
The Boys and Girls Club motto is “Be Prepared”

- I. Nub Saturday lub 11 hli nub 11 yog Veteran’s Day, yog nub ncu txug cov tubrog kws tau lug tivthaiv lub teb lub chaw. Peb ua tsaug rua puab tsev tuabneeg kws tau nrugrain puab hab peb ua Vaajtsv tsaug. Nub nuav tsi yog cov Tuamtsev nub tabsis yog nub 11 poob rua nub twg ces yog ua koobtsheej ncu txug nub cov tubrog nub ntawd. (Show Veterans)



Veterans Day yog ib nub koobtsheej kws peb ncu txug txhuatug tubrog kws tau ua tubrog. Thaus pib yog lub 11 hli nub 11th hu ua Armistice Day, kws yog hastas thawj tsuvrog “Grat War” xaus lawm. Thawj tsuvrog World War I, the war that was to end all war. Xyoo 1918, “yog nub 11 lub 11 hli, hab 11 nasthi ntawm 11 teev, txhuayaam puavleej ntsagtu hab tej tswb ntawm tej tuamtsev puavleej nrov. Nuav yog kev humxeeb kws yog muaj kev kaajsab lawm. Lub nplajteb nuav suavdlawg tsi ua rog lawm. Tabsis txawm tuabneeg xaav hastas key ua rog taag lawm los peb yeej paub hastas ntau xyoo tomqaab ntawd tseem muaj ntau tsuvrog

ntxiv hab. Lub 11 hli nub 11 yog Armistice Day txug xyoo 1954 Congress muab lub npe hloov lug hu ua Veterans Day. Lub 10 hli, President Dwight Eisenhower, lub sijhawm kws nwg ua naisphoo kws yog tug thawj koj rua paab tubrog Europe kws ntau yeej tsuvrog nuav hu cov pejxeem suavdlawg kuas suavdlawg yuavtsum ncu txug txhuatug kws tau siv puab tej rojntshaav lug tivthaiv lub teb lub chaw kuas muj kev thaajyeeb. (Show the Ten Virgin)



Txawm hastas kev ua rog tseem najnub muaj los peb cov tubrog tseem najnub npaaj txhua lub sijhawm lug moog tivthaiv pebxeem suavdlawg. Nubnuav peb zaajlug qhuabqha txhaj le hu hastas, “*Always Ready – Npaaj Saab Ntsoov Tog or Npaaj Txhij Txhua.*” Yexus qha zaajlug pivtxwv txug 10 tug hluasnkauj kws puab nqaa puab cov teeb moog ntsib tug nraugvauv. Yexus qha txug hastas muaj 5 tug kws ntse hab nqaa roj nrug puab thaus puab moog tog tug nraugvauv. Muaj

5 tug kws tsi ntse tsi npaaj roj nrug puab moog thaus puab moog tog tug nraugvauv. Thaus txug lub sijhawm tug nraugvauv tuaj lawm puab 5 tug kws tsi npaaj roj txhaj le tsi pum kev moog tog tug nraugvauv. Tabsis 5 tug kws npaaj roj vim puab npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm puab txhaj le yog cov kws nrug tug nraugvauv moog noj tshoob lawm.

- II. Yexus qha zaajlug pivtxwv nuav yog qha rua Yexus cov thwjtim, rua koj hab rua kuv vim peb yog tug ntseeg lawm peb yuavtsum ceevfaaj hab npaaj rua txhua lub sijhawm nyob tsaam nwg lug ces peb ho npaaj tsi txhij rua txhua lub sijhawm. **(Show virgins with lamp)**



Ntawm 10 tug hluasnkauj yog qha txug puab txujkev ntseeg Vaajtswv. 10 tug puavleej ntseeg tabsis ntawm puab txujkev ntseeg muaj 5 tug tsi mobsab ntseeg hab tsi npaaj kuas txhij. Yexus qha hastas ib nub twg peb yuav ntsib Yexus. Thaus nwg lug peb puas yuav npaaj kuas txhij nyob tsaam nwg lug ces peb yuav npaaj tsi txhij le 5 tug hluasnkauj kws tsi npaaj roj rua puab cov teeb. Zaajlug pivtxwv nuav tug nraugvauv yog Yexus. Thaus txug lub sijhawm kawg Yexus yuav rov lug coj cov ntseeg moog nrug nwg nyob. Koj puas tau npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm? Koj puas muaj kev ntseeg tseeb losyog laam muaj lub npe hastas

yog tug ntseeg xwb? Koj puas muaj roj ntim koj lub teeb kws yog npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm uantej Yexus rov lug? **(Show the five virgins get to enter the wedding banquet)**



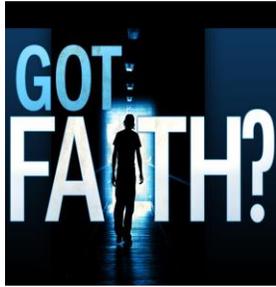
Nyob rua zaajlug pivtxwv, 10 tug hluasnkauj tsaugzug hab hli heev lawm tug nraugvauv pheej tsi txawj tuaj txug. Tabsis thaus puab taabtom tsaugzug tug nraugvauv tuaj txug. “At midnight the cry rang out: ‘Here’s the bridegroom! Come out to meet him - *Thaus txug ib taag mo txawm uaj ib lub suab hu nrov nrov hastas, ‘Tug nraug vauv tuaj lawm! Ca le tawm tuaj tog nwg!’*”(Mathais 25:6)! Thaus tug nraugvauv tuaj txug lawm 5 tug hluasnkauj kws tsi npaaj roj thov roj ntawm 5 tug kws npaaj. Tabsis 5 tug kws npaaj tsi kheev muab rua 5 tug kws tsi npaaj hab has kuas puab yuavtsum moog yuav. Thaus puab moog yuav roj

lawm tug nraugvauv tuaj hab coj 5 tug kws npaaj nrug tug nraugvauv moog rua huv tsev lawm. 5 tug kws tsi npaaj roj txhaj le khob qhovrooj hab thov tas, “Lord! Lord!” they said. ‘Open the door for us!’ “But he replied, ‘I tell you the truth, I don’t know you’ - *‘Tug tswv, tug tswv! Thov qheb qhovrooj rua peb!’*” *Tug nruag vuav teb hastas, ‘Kuv tsi paub mej!’* (Mathais 25:11-12). **(Show are you ready?)**



Lub ntsab lug txhais hastas thaus kws Yexus rov qaab lug koj tsi txhob yog tug kws tsi npaaj roj tog tug Tswv. Yog koj tsi tuav koj txujkev ntseeg kuas ruaj khovkho thaus kawg txawm koj yuav has rua Yexus hastas, “Lord! Lord!” they said. ‘Open the door for us!’ “But he replied, ‘I tell you the truth, I don’t know you’ - *‘Tug tswv, tug tswv! Thov qheb qhovrooj rua peb!’*” *Tug nruag vuav teb hastas, ‘Kuv tsi paub mej!’* (Mathais 25:11-12).

- III. Nyob rua zaajlug pivtxwv, 10 tug hluasnkauj puavleej muaj kev ntseeg huv puab lub neej. Puab yeej paub hastas Yexus yuav rov lug. **(Show faith?)**



Nuav zoo sisthooj le peb cov ntseeg Vaajtswv nyob rua huv nplajteb nuav. Ibtxha hastas puab yog tug ntseeg tabsis txug nub hawm Vaajtswv puab tub tsi tuaj hawm Vaajtswv. Puab xum moog lawv le txujkev kws puab ntshaw. Thaus Vaajtswv teg dlejnum muaj ua los puab tub tsi paab hab tsi quavntsej le. Cov nuav laam tuav lub npe hastas yog tug ntseeg tabsis puab tsi paub txug hastas nyob tsaam thaus Yexus rov lug Yexus yuav has rua puab hastas, ‘I tell you the truth, I don’t know you’ - *Tug nruag vuav teb hastas, ‘Kuv tsi paub mej!’* (Mathais 25:12)

Peb yuav ua le caag peb txhaj le npaaj tau peb tug kheej kws yog npaaj peb cov roj kuas txaus thaus Yexus lug peb txhaj le tsi zoo le 5 tug hluasnkauj kws tsi npaaj roj taws puab cov teeb. Yog koj yuav npaaj tau ces yog koj yuatsum muaj kev ntseeg hab ca sab rua Tswv Yexus Khetos ua koj tug Cawmseej. (Show ANGEL)

A	Active in Service
N	Nurturing Our Faith
G	Giving Glory to God
E	Encouraging One Another
L	Leading Others to Jesus

Koj yuav npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm yog koj yuavtsum muaj Active in services by using your time, talent and treasurer – ua Vaajtswv teg dlejnum kws yog siv koj lub sijhawm, tej kev txawj kev ntse hab tej nyaj lug ua Vaajtswv teg dlejnum, Koj yuav npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm yog koj Nurturing our faith – is to attend Bible class and learn from others – tuav koj txujkev ntseeg kuas luj hlub kws yog tuaj kawm Vaajlugkub hab kawm ntawm lwmtug, Koj yuav npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm yog koj Giving glory to God – is coming to worship regularly – muab lub koobmeej rua Vaajtwv kws yog tuaj hawm Vaajtswv txug nub kws hawm

Vaajtswv, Koj yuav npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm yog koj Encouraging one another – fellowship with others – ibleeg txhawb ibleeg kws yog suavdlawg tuaj sib fim ibleeg rua ibleeg, hab Koj yuav npaaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm yog koj Leading others to Jesus – is telling others about Jesus Christ – taw kev lwmtug rua ntawm Yexus kws yog qha txug Yexus Khetos. Txawm hastas koj tsi yog ibtug tubrog los koj tub tau txujkev zaamtxim lug ntawm Yexus Khetos ces koj tub yog ibtug tubrog rua ntawm Vaajtswv paab tubrog. Nuav tsi yog tubrog kws yog tug ntseeg rua nub Sunday – Nubsu xwb tabsis yog tubrog rua txhuanub huv koj lub neej.

Kev ncu txug Veteran’s Day yog ua koobtsheej ncu txug cov kws tau ua tubrog lug tivthaiv lub teb lub chaw. Ca peb saig dlaim video of President Ronald Reagan remember Veteran’s Day. (Show Video from President Ronal Reagan Remember Veterans Day - 3.29 min)



Veterans Day - President Reagan - Remember Veterans Day 3.29.wmv

Cov kwvtij, Yexus teg dlejnum yog npaj txhij txhua lub sijhawm: “*Semper Paratus* – **Always Ready**” “*Semper Fidelis* – **Always Faithful.**” (Show always ready)

Always Ready

Yexus lug ua txhuayaam lug paab tuabneeg rua sau tug ntoo khaublig. Nwg ua lawv le Vaajtlejtxiv dlej sab kuas cawm tau koj hab kuv. Ca koj hab kuv npaaj kuas txhij rua txhua lub sijhawm kws yog tuav rawv txujkev ntseeg kuas ruaj khovkho moog txug nub kws nwg lug coj peb moog nrug nwg nyob ibtxhis hab ibtxhis. Asmees.

Thov kuas Vaajtswv Txujlug pub rua peb suavdlawg totaub hab tau nyob kaajsab lug rua ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe. Peb txhuatug kws yog Vaajtswv cov mivnyuas peb suavdlawg has: Asmees.

Children Message

“Be Ready”

Object Lesson: (Pencil, paper, ruler, and book bag etc.)

Matthew 25:13 “Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.” This is the word of God.”

If you are planning to go to school, what do you need? (*Let them answer*) Yes! we need all those things! How about going to the grocery store? Can think of something we need to remember to bring there? (*Let them answer*) That's right - we need money or credit card that has money in the bank to pay for those items that we need.

Our lives involve a lot of planning ahead, don't they? We have to *be ready* to do certain things – like you have to have your book, pen or pencil before you go to school and if you *aren't ready* then some things just don't work out well at all.

In today's gospel reading Jesus tells a story about being ready. Some women had an important job in helping to get ready for a wedding. They were supposed to hold up lamps at night to help light a path for the groom - but only some of them were ready. This was before electricity, or batteries - so these lamps were like candles. They needed oil inside to help keep their fire burning. *Five women* had everything they needed (lamp and extra oil) – *Five of them of didn't*. They had brought their lamps, but forgot to bring more oil.

Jesus tells this story to remind us that we always need to **“be ready.”** We never know when we'll be asked to do important work for God. When the times come we are ready to be help. Not only be ready to help but always ready to keep on believing and trusting Jesus Christ.

Are you ready? Yes! Let's pray.

Pray:

Gracious God, We are ready to be your faithful servants on Earth. Help and guide us that we are always ready. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.