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In Five Days God Created the Heavens and the Earth.

And on the Sixth Day, God created Man.
And he saw that it was very good.
And on the Seventh Day he rested.

And on the Eighth Day, Man created MTR
destroying the Mountain
and all that lived in the Mountain
and filling the Valley
with what remained of the desecrated Mountain
so that there was left no more life in the Stream.

And though Jesus once walked through
the Valley of the Shadow of Death
on the Eighth Day there was no Valley.
But Death was Everywhere.
And though he had delivered his first Sermon on the Mount
on the Eighth Day there was no Mount.
And though he had fed the five thousand with loaves and fishes
on the Eighth Day no fishes were left in the Stream.

And False Prophets arose preaching False Doctrine
and Dominion of Man over the Earth
to justify their Destruction
and led many astray
and were like the Five Foolish Virgins who
foolishly used up all their Oil so that when the Master returned
their Lamps were useless.
And they ran to the Five Wise Virgins who had saved their
Resources

and used them wisely
so that their Lamps lit the way for the Master's Return.

And the Foolish Virgins begged them for Oil
but the Wise Virgins refused saying
"This Oil is for the Master's Return."

So the Five Foolish Virgins
through Cunning and Deceit
lobbied the Corrupt Politicians
saying "We must have Oil
for the Good of The Country in this time of War."
And they bribed the Corrupt Politicians
And they forced the Five Wise Virgins to hand
over their Oil
and their Land
and their Homes.

And there arose a Great Darkness in the Land
And a Great Cry went up throughout West Virginia
and all the Land:
"Why did we allow the Foolish Virgins, the Coal Companies
with their Drag Lines and Big Machines
and Corrupt Politicians in their Pockets,
to deceive us?"

But, yea, it was Too Late.
And in Darkness and with many Tears,
Man bowed down
to worship the Golden Calf he had created
on the Eighth Day.