

MANAGEMENT

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Parable Of The Talents

Matthew 25:14-30

**GOD DOES NOT WANT US TO SQUANDER
WHAT HE HAS GIVEN TO US.**

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I. REASON FOR THE PARABLE

Ten Virgins: Waiting In Preparation (Expectancy)

Talents: Working For Productivity (Expectations)

THREE ASPECTS TO KNOW

1. Each Servant Gifted

“As each received A Gift,

2. Individual Opportunity

Use it to serve one another,

3. Various Allotment

As good stewards of God’s varied grace.” (1 Peter 4:10)

SAVED TO SERVE



Ephesians 2:10 (ESV) For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE PARABLE

Each Man Was Entrusted With A Large Investment

A Talent Here Is Not An Ability Or Giftedness But Money

A Talent Is A Precious Metal Equals 6,000 Days Of Work

A. DIFFERENCE IN QUANTITY

Five, Two & One Talents

“For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function” (Romans 12:3-4).

B. DIFFERENCE IN ABILITIES

“To Each According To His Ability”

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone” (I Corinthians 12:4-6).

C. DIFFERENCE IN FAITHFULNESS

Two Of The Three Were Found Faithful

“This is how one should regard us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful” (1 Corinthians 4:1-2).

III. RESULTS IN THE PARABLE

“Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them”

Interest In Israel Under Roman Rule Was 8.5%

Possibly 8.47 Years?

A. THERE WILL BE A DAY OF RECKONING

Judgment Seat Of Christ – Believers

Great White Throne - Unbelievers

B. A CHRISTIAN'S WORKS WILL BE JUDGED

**“Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw—each one’s work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire”
(1 Corinthians 3:12-15).**

C. MASTER IS ABSENT – EXPEDIENCY PARAMOUNT

“And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven” (Acts 1:10-11).

D. DO NOT HIDE WHAT GOD HAS GIVEN

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen” (I Peter 4:10-11).

E. GOD EXPECTS US TO BE FRUITFUL

by this
My Father is glorified
that you bear much fruit
and so prove to be
My disciples.

John 15:8



F. ABILITIES ARE NOT OUR POSSESSION

**“But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift.”
(Ephesians 4:7)**

GOD'S HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The desire of every believer should be to one day hear, “well done good and faithful servant.”
(Matthew 25:23a)