

STORIES THAT STILL SPEAK

The Parables of the Talents

MATTHEW 25:14-30

²⁸ Take the talent from him and give it to the one who has ten talents. ²⁹

For everyone who has, will be given more and he will have an abundance.

Whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken from him ³⁰ And throw that worthless servant outside; into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. MATTHEW 25:28-30 NIV

A Talent is what the Lord gives now and will ask about later.

I. Ways to live your Life

1. You can _____ it.

We call those who waste their lives foolish.

2. You can _____ it.

We call those who spend their lives selfish.

3. You can _____ it.

We call those who invest their lives disciples.

¹⁴ ...His Lord said unto him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things; I will make you rulers over many things'... Matthew 25:21 KJV

II. The Parable of the Talents

1. The Lord goes on a Journey (14-18)

2. The Lord Returns (14-24)

3. The Unprofitable Servant (25-30)

III. Principles to Consider:

1. Discipleship is _____ at the service level.

To one he gave five talents, to another two and to another one -- to each according to one's unique ability. Matthew 25:15

2. Excuses are _____.

His Lord answered and said unto him, 'you wicked and lazy servant...' Matthew 25:26a

3. The record for faithfulness is the _____ of celebration, while the unfaithful experience the _____ of regret.

Enter the joy of the Lord... Matthew 25:23 KJV

Cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 25:30 KJV

Wednesday Night Bible Study
"Living a life of Conviction in a World of Compromise"
Romans 12:17-21
(Dealing with revenge)