

Matthew

CHAPTER 25

14 ¶ For *the kingdom of heaven is* as a man travelling into a far country, *who* called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

15 And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

16 Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made *them* other five talents.

17 And likewise he that *had received* two, he also gained other two.

18 But he that had received one went and dug in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

19 After a long time the lord of those servants came, and reckoned with them.

20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, you delivered unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

21 His lord said unto him, Well done, *you* good and faithful servant: you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter into the joy of thy lord.

22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, you delivered unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

23 His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter into the joy of thy lord.

24 Then he who had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew you that you are a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not winnowed:

25 And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the earth: lo, *there* you have *that is* yours.

26 His lord answered and said unto him, *You* wicked and slothful servant, you knew that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not winnowed:

27 Thou ought therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and *then* at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give *it* unto him who has ten talents.

29 For unto every one that has shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that has not shall be taken away even that which he has.

30 And cast the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

31 ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then shall He sit upon the throne of his glory:

32 And before Him shall be gathered all nations: and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats:

33 And He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

35 For I was hungry, and you gave Me meat: I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink: I was a stranger, and you took Me in:

36 Naked, and you clothed Me: I was sick, and you visited Me: I was in prison, and you came unto Me.

37 Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying, Lord, when saw we You hungry, and fed You? or thirsty, and gave You drink?

38 When saw we You a stranger, and took You in? or naked, and clothed You?

39 Or when saw we You sick, or in prison, and came unto You?

40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done *it* unto Me.

41 Then shall He say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from Me, you cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

42 For I was hungry, and you gave Me no meat: I was thirsty, and you gave Me no drink:

43 I was a stranger, and you took Me not in: naked, and you clothed Me not: sick, and in prison, and you visited Me not.

44 Then shall they also answer Him, saying, Lord, when saw we You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto You?

45 Then shall He answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you did *it* not to one of the least of these, you did *it* not to Me.

46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.