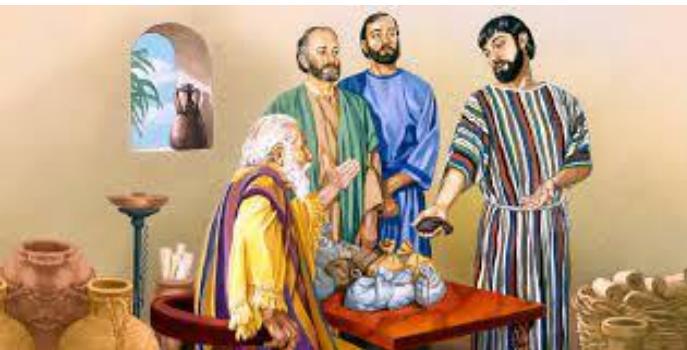


Today's Message

09-25-2022



The Parable of the Talents of Money



Scripture:
Mat 25:14–30



Parable of the Talents



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The Parable of the Bags of Gold

14 “Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. 15 To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, ^{at} each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. 16 The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. 17 So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. 18 But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money.

19 “After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. 20 The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.’

21 “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’

22 “The man with two bags of gold also came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.’

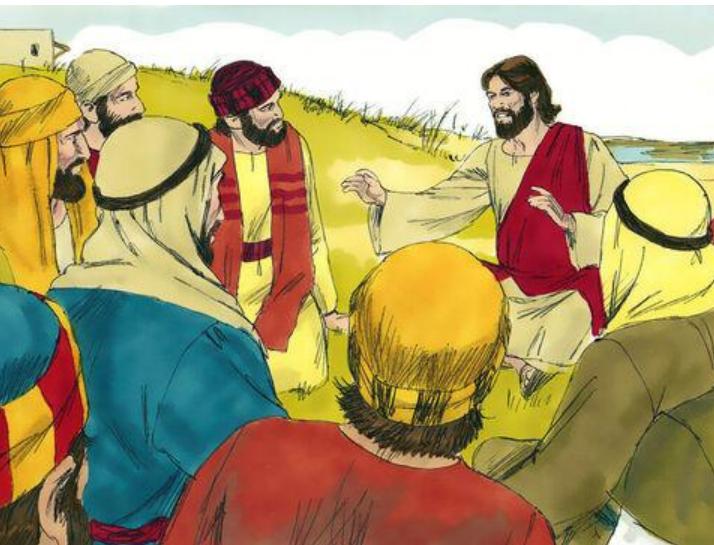
23 “His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!’

24 “Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. 25 So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.’

26 “His master replied, ‘You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? 27 Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.

28 “So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. 29 For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. 30 And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

Mat 25:14–30



**1 Talent
(75 pounds)
of Gold**

\$1,649,331.00



Again, the kingdom of heaven will be like a man going on a journey,

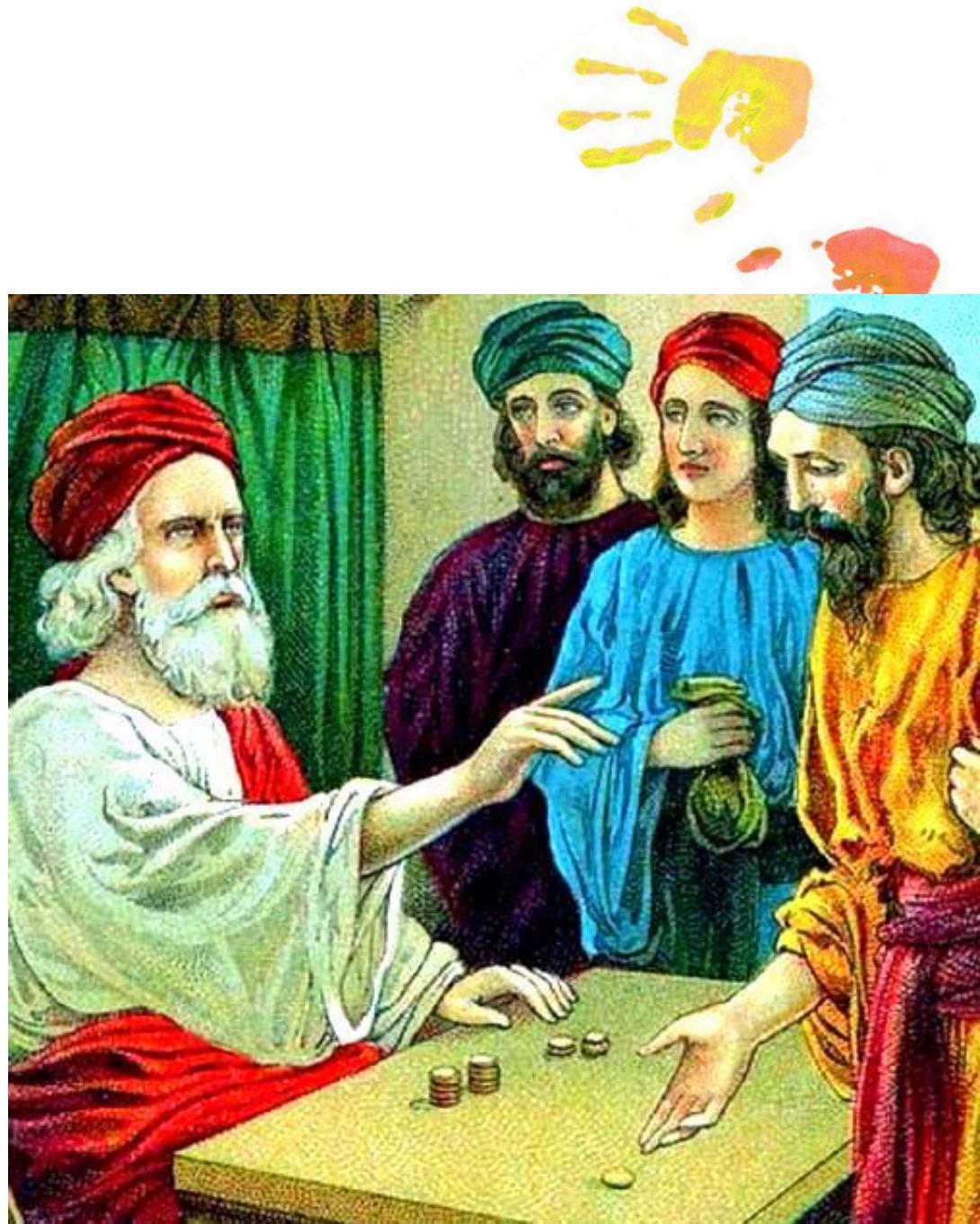


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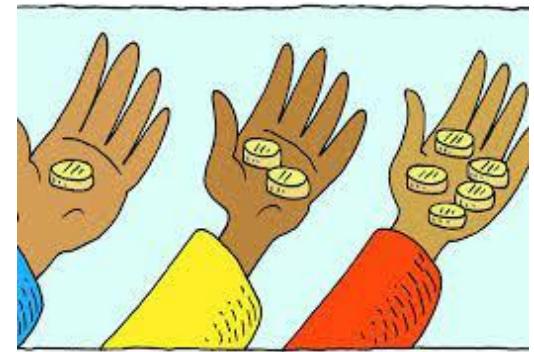
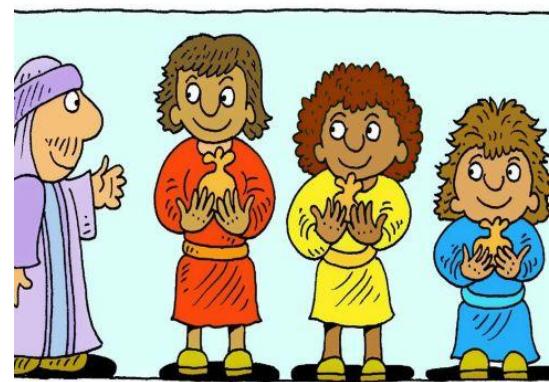
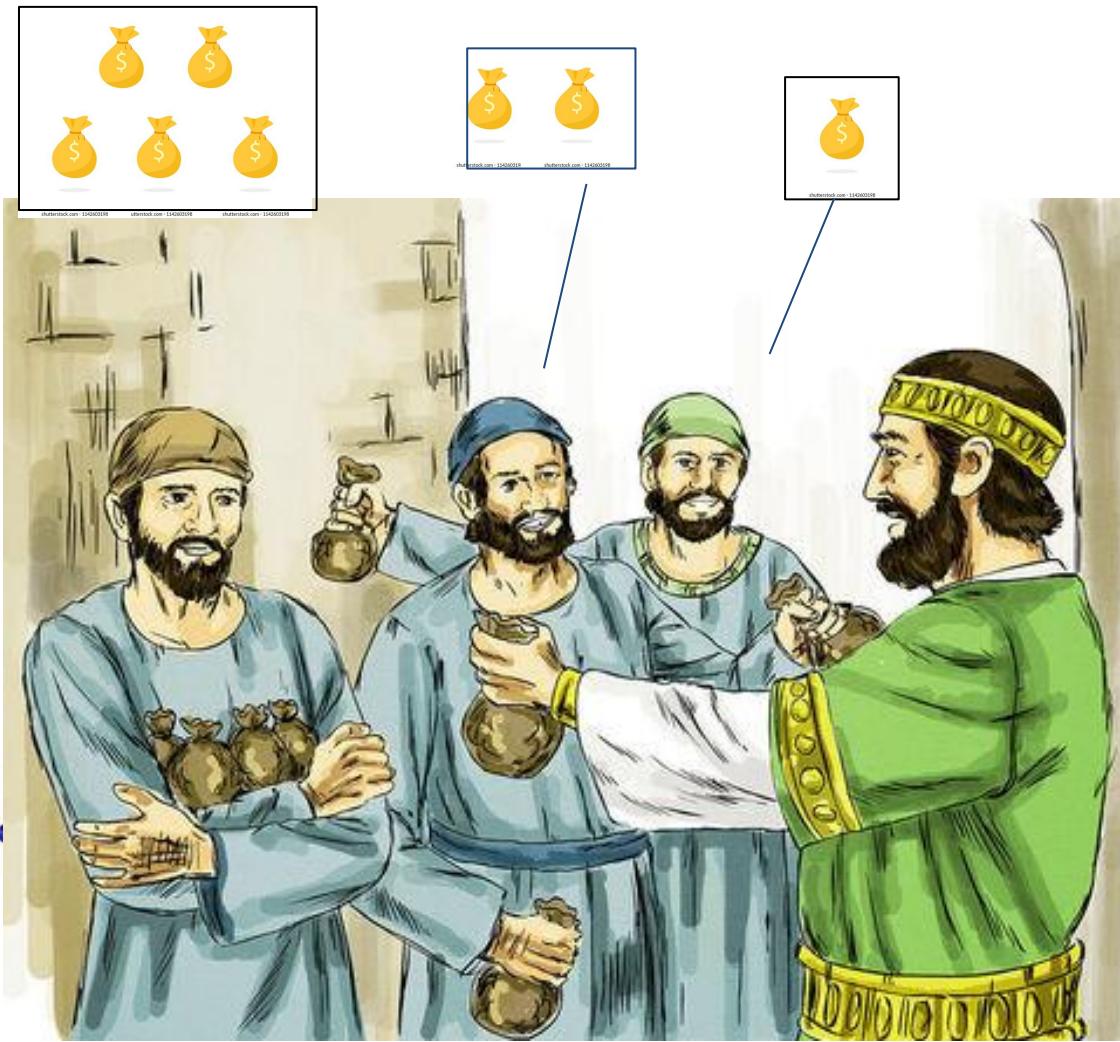
Mat 25:14

who called his
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to them.



Mat 25:15

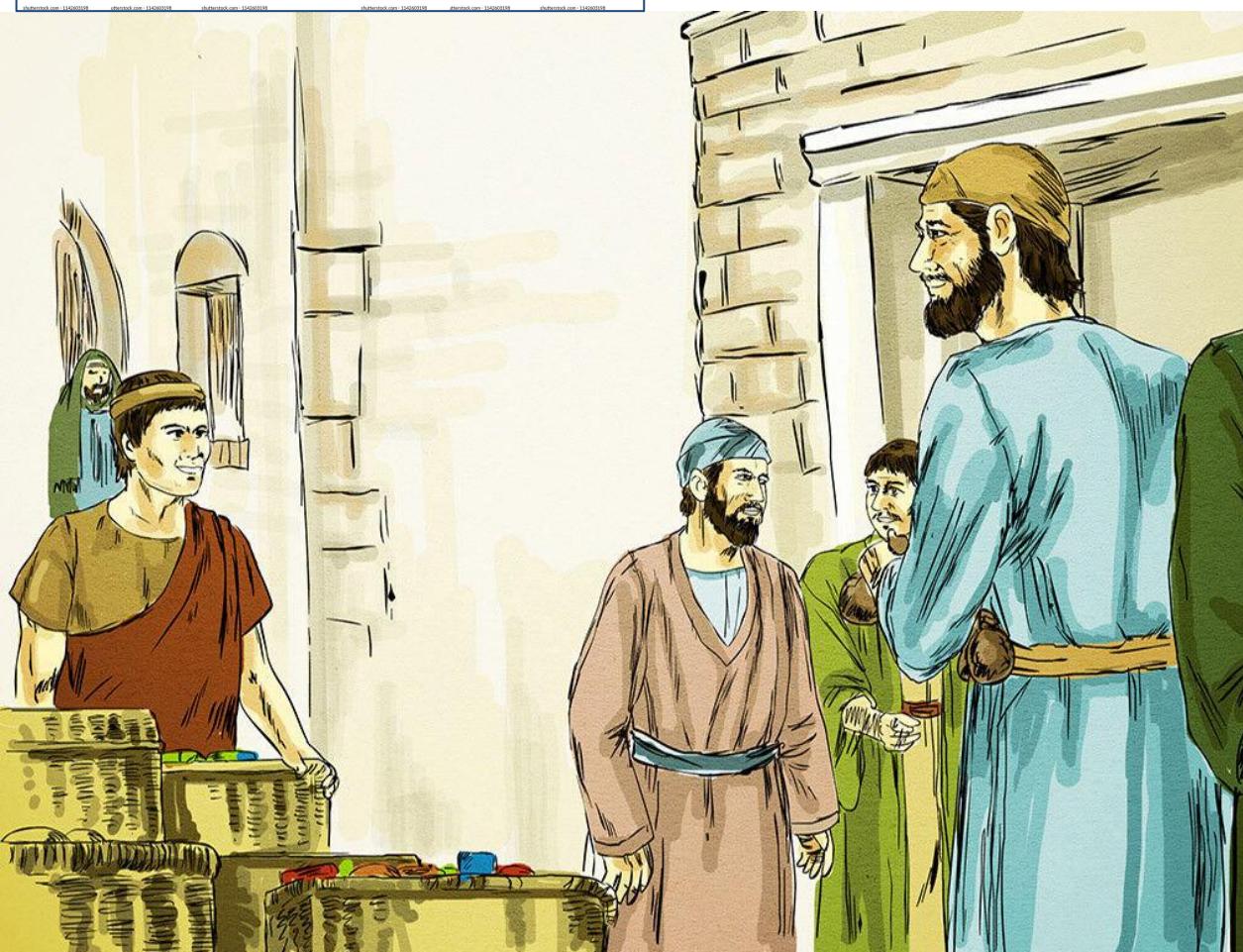
15 To one he gave five talents of money, to another two talents, and to another one talent, each according to his ability.



Then he went on his journey.



16 The man who had received the five talents went at once and put his money to work and gained five more.





So also, the one with the two talents gained two more.

(Mat25:17 NIV)



The man* who had received the five* bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained* five* bags more.*



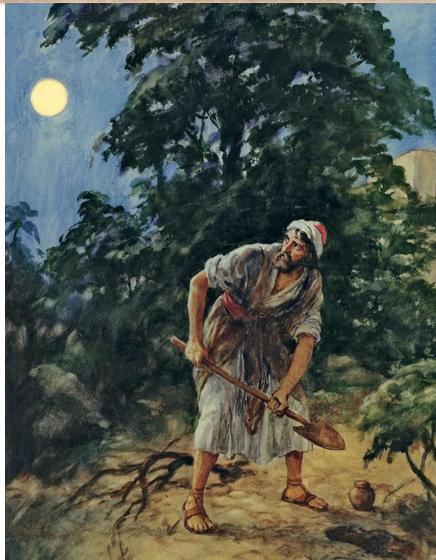
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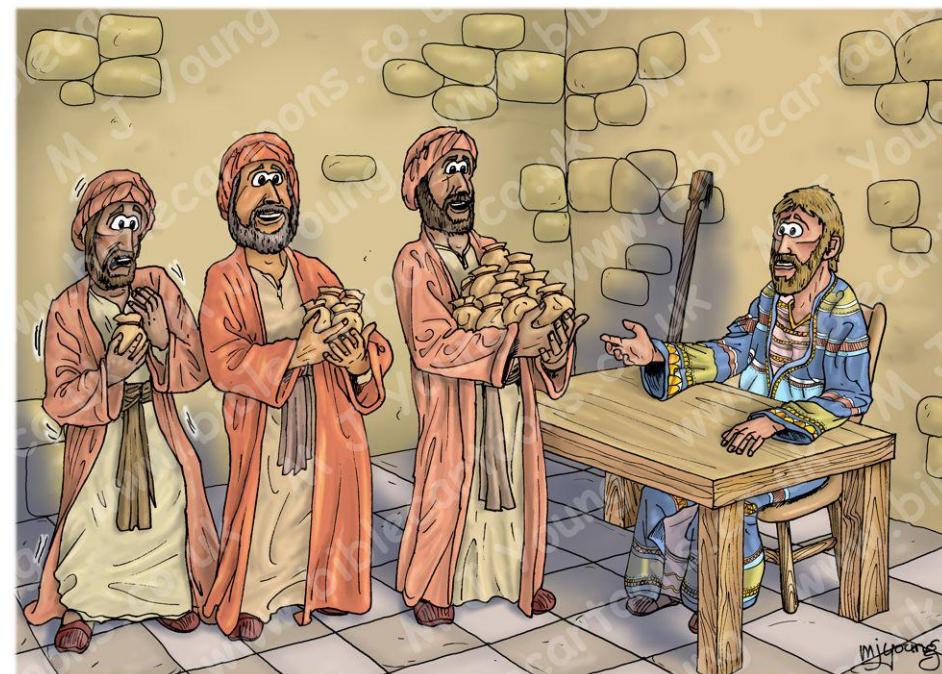
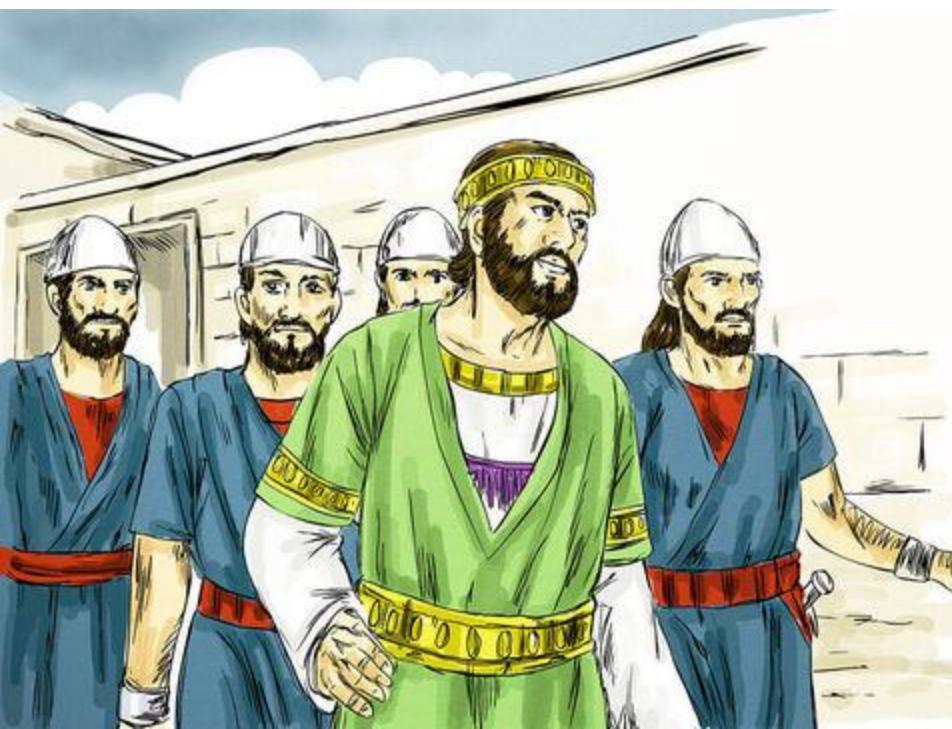
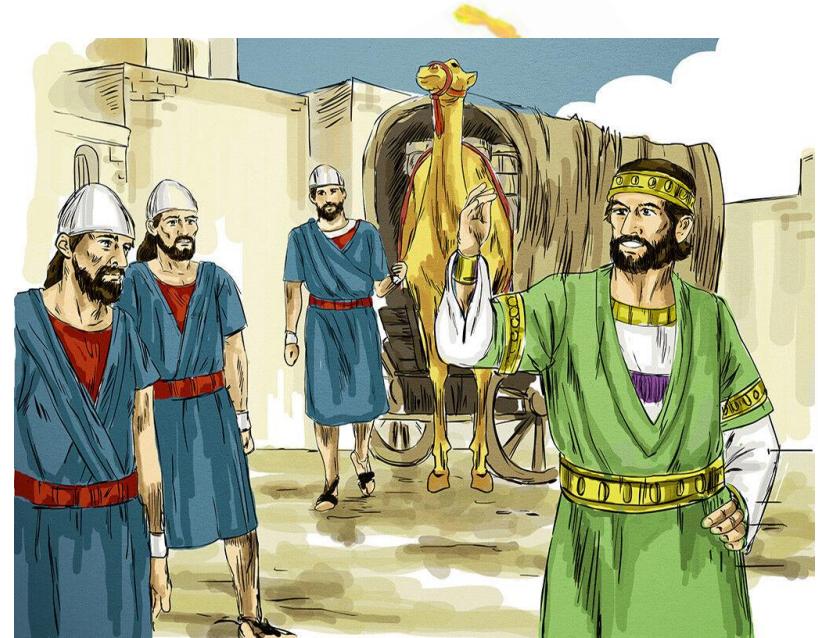


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18 But the man who had received the one talent went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.



19 After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them.



20 The man who had received the five talents brought the other five, said:

'Master, you entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five more.'



21 His master replied,

'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

Well
Done!



22 The man with two talents also came. said:

'Master, you entrusted me with two talents of gold; see, I have gained two more.'

23 His master replied,

'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'



Then the man who had received
the one talent came, said,
(Mat25:24 NIV)

'Master, I knew that you are a hard man,
harvesting where you have not sown and
gathering where you have not scattered
seed."





So I was afraid and went out and hid your talent in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.'

(Mat25:25 NIV)



His master replied,

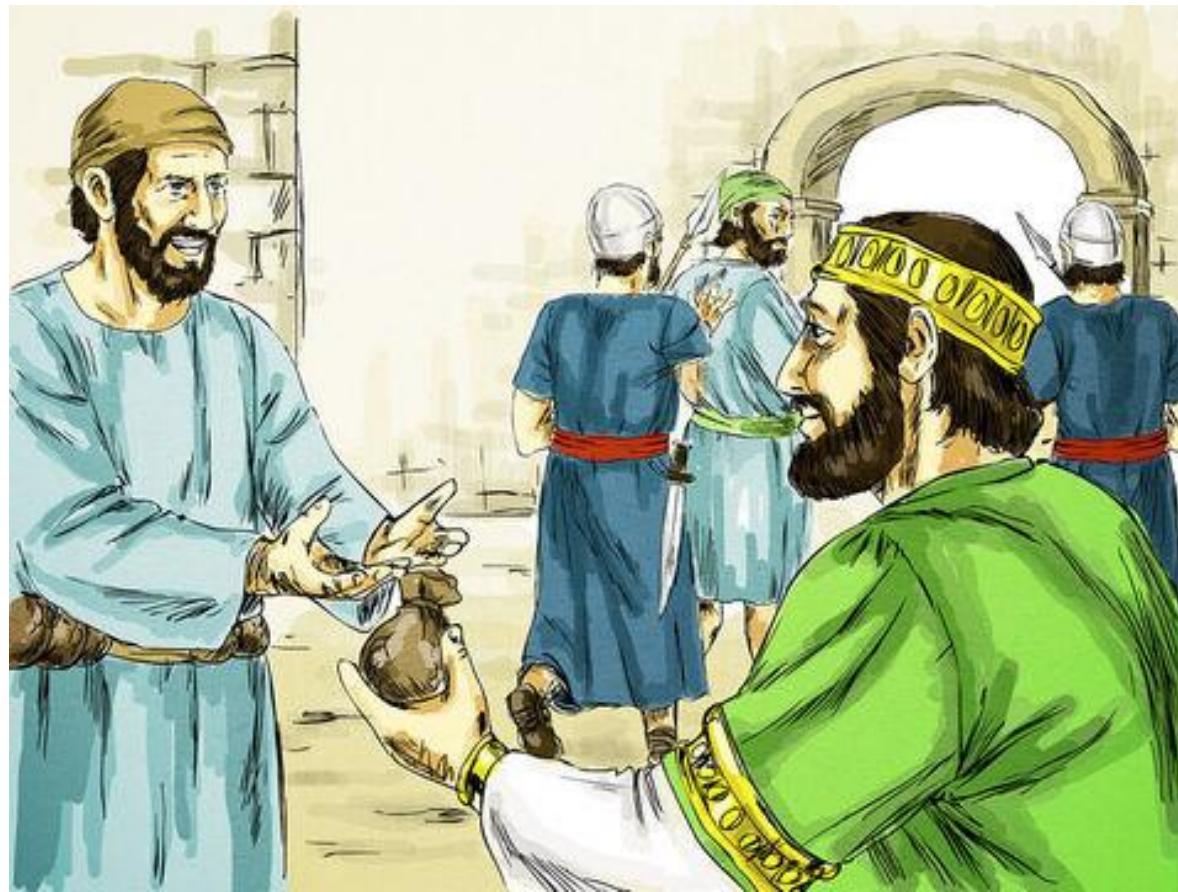
'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed?'
(Mat25:26 NIV')



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Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.

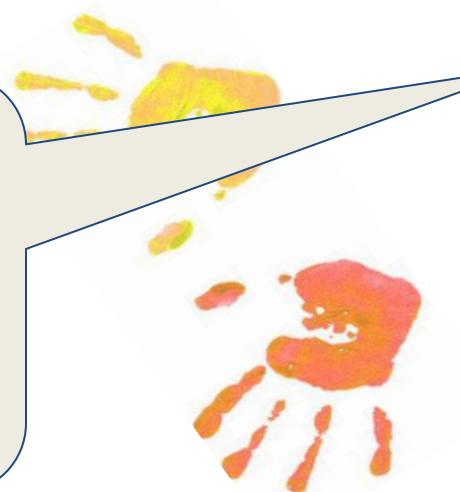
(Mat25:27 NIV)



'Take the talent
from him



and give it to the one who has the ten talents.



For everyone who has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. (Mat25:29 NIV)



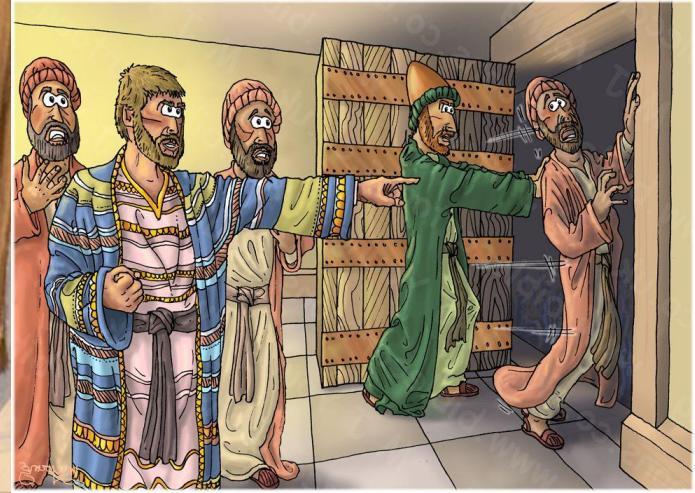
Whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken from him. (Mat25:29 NIV)



And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. (Mat25:30 NIV)



throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness,* where there will be weeping* and gnashing* of teeth



What does the parable mean?

The parable of the talents tell Jesus' disciples to use their God-given gifts in the service of God, and to take risks for the sake of the Kingdom of God. These gifts have been seen to include personal abilities ("talents" in the everyday sense), as well as personal wealth.



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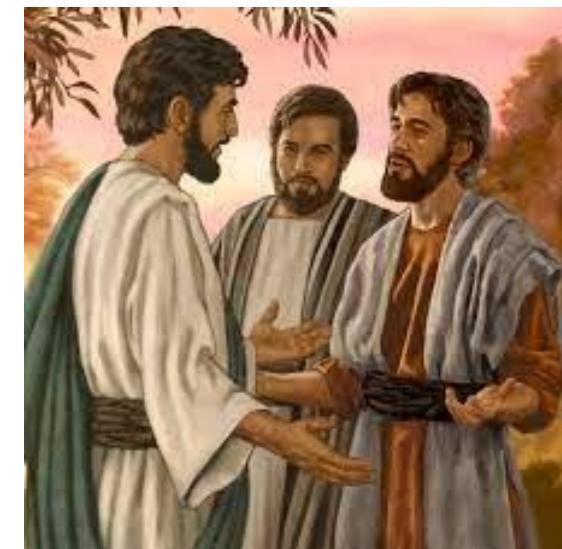


The first two servants are able to see God in a positive perception, as understanding, generous, and kind, while the third servant sees God as harsh, demanding, and critical.



What can we learn from the parable?

Share the Gospels with people as many as you can reach that God gives to you.



What can we learn from the parable?

Do not use God-given gift, including grace, capability, as well as wealth as the private personal enjoyment.



What can we learn from the parable?

Those who do not share the Gospels with people will be judged after the return of Jesus.



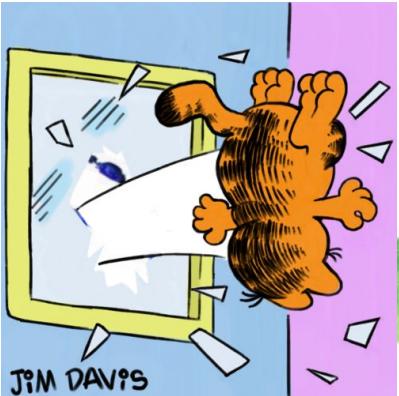
Mat 5:13 NIV



You are the salt of the earth.



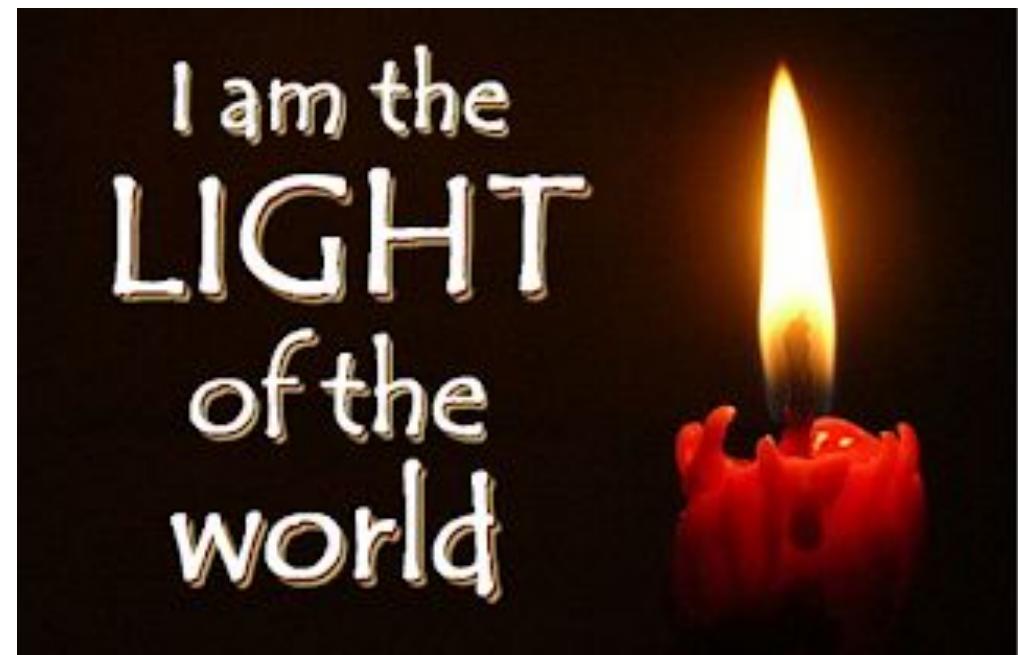
But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men.



Mat 5:14 NIV



You are the light of the world.



Mat 5:14 NIV



A city on a hill cannot be hidden.



Mat 5:15 NIV



Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl.



Mat 5:15 NIV



Instead they put it
on its stand, and it
gives light to
everyone in the
house.



Mat 5:16 NIV

In the same way,
let your light
shine before
men, that they
may see your
good deeds and
praise your
Father in
heaven.



Let us pray



Heavenly Father,

Thank you for choosing us as your children. Thank you for your rich providence every day.

Many times, we do not think a positive way to use the gift you gave to us to glorify you. We always only think of ourselves. We ask you to forgive our sin and weakness. May the talent and gift you gave to us to glorify you. Give us the courage and wisdom to share Gospels with our neighbors.

May your Kingdom come and your name be glorified.
Pray in name of Jesus, Amen

End



