

Sermon Scripture Passages: Matthew 25:14-30

14 “For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. 15 To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16 He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. 17 So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. 18 But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. 20 And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.’ 21 His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ 22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.’ 23 His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ 24 He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.’ 26 But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. 28 So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. 29 For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. 30 And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

Scripture References:

I Corinthians 12:11 – All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

Luke 9:24 – For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.

Ephesians 2:7-10 – ...so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 – For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. 15 And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

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When He Returns – Three Parables #2 – Matthew 25:14-30 – *Settling Accounts*

The core idea of the Parable: The servants in the Parable are given resources that they are expected to _____ and put to _____ for the benefit of the Master.

Westminster Catechism: *Question #1. What is the chief end of man?*

Answer: Man's chief end is to _____

What is something you invested a lot of your time and energy into and how did it work out?

Matthew 25:14-30 - The second Parable about what happens when Christ will Return

25:14 Christ rules by working through his _____ on earth to accomplish His plans.

25:15 The Lord gives resources to His servants just as _____ (see 1 Cor. 12:11)

25:19 After a _____ time... *What does this parable have in common with last week?*

25:21 Enter into the _____ of your Master... *What does this convey about eternal life?*

25:24 *Is the 3rd servant accurate in his view of the Master? How do some view God?*

25:26-28 Is the Master unfair in judging the 3rd servant?

Is God unfair in Calling His People to Judgment?

God can see into our _____ – We can trust in His Judgment being _____!

God's Judgment is giving us what we _____!

On that day we will truly see that apart from God that we have _____.

25:30 *What does it mean to be cast into the outer darkness?*

Ephesians 2:8-9 We are saved by _____: We are saved for _____

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 Because Christ died for us, what should we do?

Answers for the blanks:

- Invest
- Work
- A. Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.
- Servants
- He Determines / Sees Fit
- Long Time – the idea of a long delay before Christ will Return
- Joy – that eternal life is being in God's Presence and being filled with His Joy and Love
- Hearts
- Righteous
- Insist on having – self autonomy
- No life of our own
- By Grace + For good works