



“Parable of The Talents”

Matthew 25:14-30

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Three things to consider as you faithfully prepare for Christ's Coming...

1. The _____:

You have been entrusted with God-given talents. (v. 14-15)

- **v. 14** = The Context: This is the third in a series of parables concerning the return of Christ.
 - o The Faithful and Evil Servants (Matt. 24:45-51)
 - Expectantly watching for Christ's Return.
 - o The Wise and Foolish Virgins (Matt. 25:1-13)
 - Patiently waiting for Christ's Return.
 - o The Talents (Matt. 25:14-30)
 - Diligently working till Christ's Return.
- Until Jesus returns, we are to be faithfully _____ and _____ . We are the servants in this parable.
- **v. 15** = The Talents: Represent a unit of money; a measure of weight; or any area of talent or ability. (Romans 12:4-8; I Corinthians 12:1-31)
- Learn more about your talents in “**Discover Series – 301**” where we teach **S.H.A.P.E.** (Spiritual Gifts, Heart/Passion, Abilities, Personality, Experiences)

2. The _____:

You are expected to use those talents for the Lord. (v. 16-18)

- **v. 16** = The five-talent servant: Having more talent means having more _____ . (Luke 12:48)
- **v. 17** = The two-talent servant: Two-talent people are _____ .
- **v. 18** = The one-talent servant: He didn't have as many talents as the others, but he was still just as _____ .
- It is a _____ to think that your small contribution doesn't matter.

3. The _____:

You will be rewarded according to your faithfulness. (v. 19-30)

- Choice #1: If you use them for the Lord, you will be _____ . (v. 19-23)
 - o Two servants were confident.
 - o Two servants were _____ . “well done”
 - o Two servants were rewarded.
- Choice #2: If you do not use them for the Lord, you will _____ . (v. 24-30)
 - o One servant was fearful.
 - o One servant was _____ . “wicked and lazy”

Watch out for...

- Hiding your talents:
- _____ your talents: (II Cor. 10:12)
- Boasting of your talents: (I Cor. 4:7)
- Using your talents _____ :
- o One servant lost his reward.
 - Judgement Seat of Christ (II Cor. 5:10)
 - Great White Throne Judgement (Rev. 20:11-13)

Some potential Next Steps to becoming a wise and faithful servant:

- 1. _____ your talents.
 - o The best way to discover your talents is to _____ .
- 2. _____ your talents.
 - o It takes effort and intentionality.
- 3. _____ your talents.
 - o We are blessed to bless. Don't wait to be asked!

Next Steps?

“Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.” Matthew 24:44