

THE MYSTERIES OF THE KINGDOM

A Study of the Parables of Jesus

ARE YOU BURYING YOUR TALENT?

Matthew 25:14-30 Jeff Schreve

But he who received the one talent went away and dug in the ground, and hid his master's money. Matthew 25:18

Are you guilty of burying your talent?

1. Every Christian is entrusted with the Lord's possessions.

... and entrusted His possessions to them. Matthew 25:14

A. God gives every Christian the same Spirit.

B. God gives every Christian different gifts and talents.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:4

C. God expects you to use what He gave you.

Do business with this until I come back. Luke 19:13

2. Some Christians seize the opportunity.

Immediately the one who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and gained five more talents. In the same manner the one who had received the two talents gained two more. Matthew 25:16-17

A. They get to work.

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me. 1 Corinthians 15:10

B. They step out in faith.

C. They please the Master.

Well done, good and faithful slave ... Matthew 25:21, 23

3. Some Christians waste the opportunity.

A. They believe lies about God.

What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us. A. W. Tozer

B. They let fear trump faith.

And I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the ground; see, you have what is yours. Matthew 25:25

C. They are dealt with severely.

1. They are called wicked for what they thought.
2. They are called lazy for their lack of service.
3. They are called worthless for their lack of gain.

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