

THE FOREVER SATISFACTION OF FAITHFUL STEWARDS

Matthew 25:14-30 // March 9, 2025 PM

I. Steward your Christ-given abilities and responsibilities *with energy* (vv. 14-18).

II. Steward your Christ-given abilities and responsibilities *with expectancy* (vv. 19-30).

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. If the parable of the ten virgins called us to watch for the Lord, what does the parable of the talents call us to?
2. What is a talent? Why did the master give different numbers of talents to different servants? What spiritual reality does this correspond to?
3. What did the three servants do with their talents? What must we do with ours?
4. Why does serving Christ always entail risk, and how do we see that in this parable? Can you give an example from your life of the risk involved in using your abilities to seize upon opportunities and responsibilities given by Christ?
5. When the master returned, how did he respond to the three servants? Why did he respond in these ways? What does this teach us about the future judgment?
6. Why must sincere discipleship always be diligent discipleship? Why does “do-nothing Christianity” lead to hell?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Is my discipleship marked by risky rigor?
2. How do I perceive Christ, and how does that affect my service to Him or lack thereof?
3. What abilities has Christ given me? Am I using them and honing them for His glory and the advancement of His kingdom?
4. What responsibilities has Christ given me? Am I serving Him zealously in them in response to His love and grace and in the expectation of judgment day?