

The Three Servants



MEMORY VERSE: "To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away."

Matthew 25:29



MATTHEW 25:14-18 Responsibility

1. What did the master trust each of his servants to do?
2. How much did the master think each servant was able to take care of?
3. What did each servant do with the money entrusted to him?



MATTHEW 25:19-23 Two Faithful Servants

4. What did the first two servants earn while the master was away?
5. How did the master respond to each of them?
6. How would you describe the first two servants?



MATTHEW 25:24-30 The Useless Servant

7. What did the third servant do with the money he had been given?
8. What excuses did the servant make for his behavior?
9. How did the master respond to this servant?
10. What do you think Jesus is trying to teach you about the abilities He has given you?

BELIEVE THE TRUTH

God created each of us to do good things for Him and He gave us the abilities to do them. The more we use what He has given us the more blessed we will be. It is very fulfilling to be a faithful servant. So, find out what your abilities are and use them for His glory.

PRAY THE TRUTH

Dear God,
Thank you that you have a plan for me.
Please help me to see what my abilities are and show we ways that I can use them to honor and serve you.
Amen

WALK IN TRUTH



Can you think of someone you know who is being responsible with what God has given them?



Matthew 25:14-30

Parable of the Three Servants

Matthew 25:14-18

¹⁴ “Again, the Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a man going on a long trip. He called together his servants and entrusted his money to them while he was gone. ¹⁵ He gave five bags of silver to one, two bags of silver to another, and one bag of silver to the last — dividing it in proportion to their abilities. He then left on his trip.

¹⁶ “The servant who received the five bags of silver began to invest the money and earned five more. ¹⁷ The servant with two bags of silver also went to work and earned two more. ¹⁸ But the servant who received the one bag of silver dug a hole in the ground and hid the master’s money.

Matthew 25:19-23

¹⁹ “After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of how they had used his money. ²⁰ The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver came forward with five more and said, ‘Master, you gave me five bags of silver to invest, and I have earned five more.’

²¹ “The master was full of praise. ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’

²² “The servant who had received the two bags of silver came forward and said, ‘Master, you gave me two bags of silver to invest, and I have earned two more.’

²³ “The master said, ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’

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²⁴ “Then the servant with the one bag of silver came and said, ‘Master, I knew you were a harsh man, harvesting crops you didn’t plant and gathering crops you didn’t cultivate. ²⁵ I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth. Look, here is your money back.’

²⁶ “But the master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy servant! If you knew I harvested crops I didn’t plant and gathered crops I didn’t cultivate, ²⁷ why didn’t you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.’

²⁸ “Then he ordered, ‘Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one with the ten bags of silver. ²⁹ To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. ³⁰ Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

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