

A NEW MESSAGE SERIES ON JESUS' TEACHING ABOUT MONEY

# STEWARDSHIP





#### Recap

Mathew 6:24 ESV

<sup>24</sup> No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.



#### Recap

1 Timothy 6:10 ESV

<sup>10</sup> For the **love** of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

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Matthew 25:14-15 ESV

<sup>14</sup> For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. <sup>15</sup> To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

#### 1. We have a Master

Do not confuse ownership with stewardship.



Matthew 25:16-18 ESV

<sup>16</sup> 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.

- 1. We have a Master
- 2. Talents are given, each according to his ability



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- 2. Talents are given, each according to his ability
- 3. Talents are invaluable



Matthew 25:19-20 ESV

<sup>19</sup> Now after a **long time** the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup> 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.'

**Matthew 25:21-23** ESV

<sup>21</sup> 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.'

#### **Rewards come from God**

Matthew 25:21 ESV

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### **Rewards come from God**

Success	Faithfulness
Performance	Constancy
Accomplishments	Devotion
Achievement	Commitment
Attaining Goals	Being true to a promise



**Matthew 25:24-26** ESV

<sup>24</sup> 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, <sup>25</sup> 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?

**Matthew 25:27-29** ESV

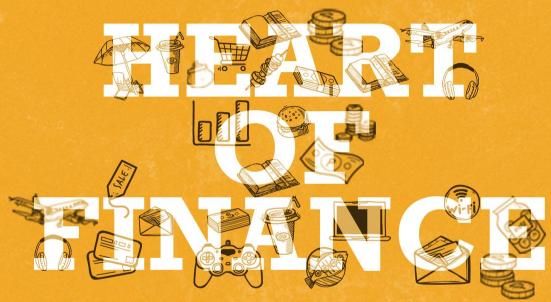
<sup>27</sup> Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup> So take the talent **from him** and **give** it to him who has the ten talents. <sup>29</sup> For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.

- 1. We have a Master.
- 2. Talents are given, each according to his ability.
- 3. Talents are invaluable.
- 4. Stewardship must survive the test of time.
- 5. Rewards come from the Master/Jesus.
- 6. Good stewardship comes from knowing the Master/Jesus.



A good steward of his own life honors God and receives blessings from Him in order to be a blessing to others.





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