

Living in the Last Days

Lesson Seven • Matthew 25:14-30

What To Do Till Jesus Comes

What's the Point of the Parable of the Talents?

It tells us to what to do while we are waiting for Christ's return: WORK while you wait!

Three Questions for Us Today:

1. What Are You Going to DO Till Jesus Comes?

- God entrusts His RESOURCES to each of us. *Matthew 25:14-15*

When It Comes to Our Responsibility...

You got the "goods" and you got the "ability."

- God expects a RETURN on what He has given us. *Matthew 25:16-18*

When It Comes to Our Response...

Some do well and some do nothing with their God-given resources.

2. What Are You Going to SAY When Jesus Comes?

- God will hold us ACCOUNTABLE for what we have done or not done with the resources He has given us. *Matthew 25:19*

When You Stand Before the Lord...

Will you offer Him a return or an excuse?

- What we do or don't do with what we have REVEALS our view of God. *Matthew 25:20-25*

3. What Are You Going to HEAR When Jesus Comes?

- What you do now determines WHAT you will hear from the Lord. *Matthew 25:21, 23, 26-28*

What will you hear?

The faithful servants heard praise: "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

The faithless servant heard rebuke: "You wicked and lazy servant!"

- What you do now determines HOW you will spend eternity. *Matthew 25:21, 23, 29-30*

What will you receive?

Faithful servants will receive the reward of being promoted to greater service in the Kingdom of God.

Faithless servants will receive the judgment of being "cast into the outer darkness" of hell.

The Opportunity Is Now to Work for the Lord!

Now is the time to MAKE THE MOST with what you've been given before it's too late!