

The Parable of the Ten Minas - Luke 19:11-27

Topics: Accountability, Expectations, Judgment, Kingdom of God/Heaven, Leadership, Money, Punishment, Resources, Responsibility, Rewards, Serving

Open It

1. What does the word “stewardship” bring to mind?
2. How would you describe a responsible person?
3. Who is the most responsible person you know?
- * 4. In what areas of your own life would you say you are the most responsible?

Explore It

5. For what reason did Jesus choose to tell this parable? (19:11)
6. What false expectations did Jesus’ followers have? (19:11)
7. In the parable, why did the man of noble birth go to a distant country? (19:12)
8. Whom do the king, the servants, and the subjects represent in this parable? (19:12-27)
9. For what reason did the man call together ten of his servants? (19:13)
- * 10. What did the man want his servants to do with the money he gave them? (19:13)
11. How did the people react to their new king? (19:14)
12. After his return, why did the king send for his servants? (19:15)
- * 13. What did the first two servants do with the money the king entrusted to them? (19:16-18)
14. How did the king respond to the first two servants? (19:17-19)
15. What did the third servant think of the king? (19:20-21)
16. How did the third servant’s feelings for his king affect his actions? (19:20-21)
17. How did the king treat the third servant? (19:22-24)
- * 18. What principle summarizes the parable? (19:26)
19. Why did the king punish so severely those who did not want him to be king? (19:27)

Get It

20. What does this parable teach us about stewardship?
- * 21. What responsibilities and gifts has Jesus given you?
22. What can you do to develop and use the abilities God has already given you?
23. How do you need to change your attitude toward your talents?
- * 24. What can we learn from this parable about neglecting to obey the truth that we already know?
25. Why is it dangerous to neglect the truth we know about God?
26. How can you be a better steward of what God has already given you?
27. What can you expect from the Lord if you use your resources for His glory?

Apply It

- * 28. What can you do to remind yourself of the responsibilities that God has entrusted to you?
29. How can you use your spiritual gifts and abilities for the Lord in the next few days?