

# THE STEWARDSHIP OF TALENT

**BIBLE PASSAGE:** *“For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.”* (Matthew 25:14-15)

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## I. WE ARE ALL GIVEN \_\_\_\_\_

- A. The Lord \_\_\_\_\_ what to give  
*“And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one;... (Matthew 25:2a)*
- B. The Lord chooses how \_\_\_\_\_ to give  
*“...to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.”* (Matthew 25:2b)

## II. THERE ARE TWO \_\_\_\_\_ OF THAT TALENT

Quote: “There are two sides to God’s gifts for us. There is the gift side, and there is the responsibility side.” -Clarence Sexton

- A. The \_\_\_\_\_ side  
GIVING  
*“...who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.”* (Matthew 25:14b)  
*“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”* (John 3:16)

## RECEIVING

*“Then he that had received the five talents...”* (Matthew 25:16a)  
*“And likewise he that had received two...”* (Matthew 25:17a)  
*“But he that had received one...”* (Matthew 25:18a)

- B. The \_\_\_\_\_ side  
*“...and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.”* (Matthew 25:16b)  
*“...he also gained two.”* (Matthew 25:17b)  
*“By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name.”* (Romans 1:5)

## III. WE WILL GIVE AN \_\_\_\_\_ FOR WHAT GOD HAS GIVEN US

*“After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.”* (Matthew 25:19)  
*“So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.”* (Romans 14:12)

## IV. THE SERVANT WAS \_\_\_\_\_ FOR WHAT HE DID NOT DO

*“Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”* (Matthew 25:24-30)



## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL



### MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT

#### The Yetzer Family

##### Update

- Moved into a new apartment.
- New location for church meetings.
- Several visitors that are returning.
- Opportunity to speak to an Egyptian Muslim man about salvation. The man took an Arabic John and Romans to read.

##### Prayer Request

- Salvation of those that have been visiting the church.
- Salvation for this man that took the John and Romans to read.
- Continue to have opportunities to share the Gospel.