

Kingdom Risk and Reward
Matthew 25:14–30

The Parable of the Talents

Principle 1: God entrusts His resources to people and expects them to be good stewards.

“He gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people for his own possession, eager to do good works.” (Titus 2:14)

“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord’s work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)

Principle 2: Those who faithfully work for the kingdom and enhance it will be both commended and rewarded for their efforts.

“looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:2)

Principle 3: Those who do not use their gifts and the kingdom resources will be condemned and separated from the very presence of God.

Beware of a faith that is more concerned with not getting anything wrong than taking risks and making the most of every opportunity for Christ.