

WHAT'S
IN
YOUR
WALLET?



The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a man going on a long trip. He called together his servants and entrusted his money to them while he was gone. He gave five bags of silver to one, two bags of silver to another, and one bag of silver to the last – dividing it in proportion to their abilities. He then left on his trip.

~ Matthew 25:14-15

And lo, I will be with you always, even to the end of the age.

~ Matthew 28:20

What's going on here? Is God out to lunch?
Nobody's tending the store. The wicked get by with
everything; they have it made, piling up riches. I've
been stupid to play by the rules; what has it gotten me?
A long run of bad luck, that's what. A slap in the face
every time I walk out the door.

~ *Psalm 73:11-14*

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~ Matthew 25:15

When they measure themselves by
themselves and compare themselves with
themselves, they are not wise.

~ 2 Corinthians 10:12

The man who had received five bags of silver went at once
and put his money to work and gained five bags more.

~ Matthew 25:16

So also, the one with two bags of silver gained two more.
But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole
in the ground and hid his master's money.

~ Matthew 25:17

After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of how they had used his money. The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver came forward with five more and said, “Master, you gave me five bags of silver to invest, and I have earned five more.”

The master was full of praise. “Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!”

~ Matthew 25:19-21

The servant who had received the two bags of silver came forward and said, “Master, you gave me two bags of silver to invest, and I have earned two more.”

The master said, “Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!”

~ *Matthew 25:22-23*

Then the servant with the one bag of silver came and said, “Master, I knew you were a harsh man, harvesting crops you didn’t plant and gathering crops you didn’t cultivate. I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth.

Look, here is your money back.”

But the master replied, “You wicked and lazy servant! If you knew I harvested crops I didn’t plant and gathered crops I didn’t cultivate, why didn’t you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.”

Then he ordered, “Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one with the ten bags of silver. To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away.”

~ *Matthew 25:24-29*

Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where
there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

~ Matthew 25:30

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