

## HOW TO INVEST OUR LIVES - Part I

Reference: **Matthew 25:14-30**

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Please notice the parable's symbolism:

- the **man** (master) represents \_\_\_\_\_
- the **servants** represent \_\_\_\_\_
- the **talents** represent all that God has \_\_\_\_\_ to us
- the **journey** represents the \_\_\_\_\_ between Jesus' ascension into heaven and His return to the earth

**ONE** is the principle of \_\_\_\_\_

Notice the chart:

The commission of the servant	The Master leaves	The opportunity of the servant	The Master returns	The reward of the servant
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**verse fourteen**, *"For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered **his goods** to them."*

These servant managers owned nothing; just as spiritual servant managers we own nothing.

References: **Job 41:11b**, **Psalm 24:1**, **Haggai 2:8**, etc.

Principle: we \_\_\_\_\_ but God \_\_\_\_\_.

Because God owns it all He can take it back if he chooses to do so.

Reference: **Job 1:21b**, *"...**the LORD gave and the LORD has taken away**; blessed be the name of the LORD."*

**TWO** is the principle of \_\_\_\_\_

**verse fifteen**, *"And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, **to each according to his own ability**; and immediately he went on a journey."*

The term talent is sometimes used in Scripture to refer to money but the word "*talent*" itself just represented a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. In this case, the word "*talent*" represents not only money but also all that God has entrusted to us. (i.e. abilities opportunities, resources, etc.)

Each Christian has a **TAG**:

**T** represents \_\_\_\_\_

**A** represents \_\_\_\_\_

**G** represents spiritual \_\_\_\_\_

**THREE** is the principle of \_\_\_\_\_

**verse nineteen**, *"After a long time the lord of these servants (the master) came and **settled accounts with them.**"*

Reference: **Romans 14:12**, *"So then **each of us shall give account of himself to God.**"*

There is a specific prophetic event that is designed to facilitate this accounting process, and that event is called the Judgment Seat of Christ.

Reference: **II Corinthians 5:8** through **10** (see screen)

Someone said life is three different things:

- life is a \_\_\_\_\_
- life is a \_\_\_\_\_ assignment
- life is a \_\_\_\_\_

**To be continued...**