

The Three Stewards

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Whatever you do,
work at it with all your heart,
as working for the Lord,
Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

Three Stewards

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus'
Parables

"I have to go on a long trip," said a man. "I'm going to leave my stewards in charge until I get back."

The man called three stewards. To one he gave five talents, to another two talents and to another one talent. (In those days a talent was a big amount of money that weighed about 75 pounds or more.*)

Soon the man left and the three stewards decided what to do with the money: The one with five invested and earned another five talents for his master. The one with two talents invested and earned another two talents as well. The third man hid the talent safely in the ground.

After a long time, the master came back from his trip and called his stewards to get a full report.

The first one presented the ten talents, and the second steward presented the four talents. The master told them both, "Well done! You are good and faithful. You did well with a little, now I'm going to put you in charge of important things."

With a bad attitude the third steward gave back the one talent he started with.

"You should have at least put it in a bank so I could earn interest," the master said. "You can't work for me anymore." He took that one talent and gave it to the steward with ten and kicked the unfaithful steward out.

*Bryant, T. Alton, editor: *The New Compact Bible Dictionary* Zondervan Pub. House, Grand Rapids, USA, 1970

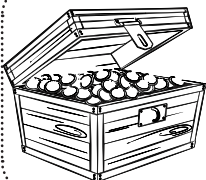


What did we discover?

- 1) The master left _____ with the three stewards.
CLOTHES ANIMALS MONEY
- 2) Two stewards invested and _____ double the money.
GAINED LOST PAID
- 3) The third steward _____ the money in the ground.
PLANTED LOST HID
- 4) We should _____ what we have so we honor our master -- Jesus.
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Am I using my talents and gifts in a good way for God?



**I honor God
with my best.**
When I give my best,
I'm honoring God.



**Father God,
Help me do
my best
for Your glory!**

