

Changing the Way You Think:

Living A "Well Done" Life

Identity * Purpose * Success * Beauty * Love * Hope

Matthew 25:14-30

¹⁴ "Again, 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. ¹⁵ 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. ¹⁶ "The servant who received the five bags of silver began to invest the money and earned five more. ¹⁷ The servant with two bags of silver also went to work and earned two more. ¹⁸ But the servant who received the one bag of silver dug a hole in the ground and hid the master's money.

¹⁹ "After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of how they had used his money. ²⁰ 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.' ²¹ "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!'

²² "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.' ²³ "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!'

²⁴ "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. ²⁵ I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth. Look, here is your money back.' ²⁶ "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, ²⁷ why didn't you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.'

²⁸ "Then he ordered, 'Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one with the ten bags of silver. ²⁹ **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.** ³⁰ Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Using Well What You've Been Given

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Key Takeaways

You Are _____

Luke 22:42

“Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done.”

“When you have to choose between His will and your own, choose His. God says if He is not at that level of love in your life, then you are not worthy of Him” – Tony Evans, Kingdom Stewardship

All You _____ Has Been _____

1 Chronicles 29:11-15

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is yours, O Lord, and this is your kingdom. We adore you as the one who is over all things.¹² Wealth and honor come from you alone, for you rule over everything. Power and might are in your hand, and at your discretion people are made great and given strength.

¹³ **“O our God, we thank you and praise your glorious name!¹⁴ But only who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you? Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us!** ¹⁵ We are here for a moment, visitors and strangers in the land as our ancestors were before us. Our days on earth are like a passing shadow, gone so soon without a trace.

_____ Isn't the Reason We Don't _____

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- **Then What are the Reasons?**

“The eyes of the Lord search the whole earth in order to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.”

2Chronicles 16:9

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