

Steward Your Mina, Steward Your Life

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Observation: What is happening here?:

The Parable of the Ten Minas (Symbolism)

Nobleman = Christ (Ascended Lord, Returning King) - v.12

Mina = Life, Soul, Opportunity from God - v.13

Ten Servants = All People Entrusted with Life - v.13

Citizens = Those Who Openly Reject Christ - v.14

Cities = Eternal Reward and Kingdom Partnership - vv.17-19

Parabolic Outline (Luke 19:11-27)

- A nobleman departs to receive a kingdom - v.12
- He gives ten servants one mina each, calling them to steward it - v.13
- Citizens reject his rule and authority - v.14
- Upon return, the nobleman rewards faithful servants - vv.15-19
- One servant fearfully hides his mina and is rebuked - vv.20-24
- Faithfulness is rewarded, and those who reject are judged - vv.25-27

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Interpretation: What can we learn (interpret) from this?

- **Servants Receive a Mina**

- Each servant receives one mina, representing life and opportunities God entrusts to us equally. We all have a responsibility to respond to Him.
 - Reference Verse(s): *Acts 17:25-28, Psalm 90:12, Genesis 2:7, Ecclesiastes 3:11*

- **Faithfulness Is Shown Through Action**

- Servants are judged not by how much they have but by *how* they use it. True faithfulness is demonstrated through active stewardship.
 - Reference Verse(s): *James 2:17, Galatians 6:9, Matthew 7:16-20, Luke 16:10*

- **The View of God is Determined by Stewardship**

- The third servant's fear led to doing nothing. A wrong understanding of God causes inaction or a wasted life.
 - Reference Verse(s): *Matthew 11:28-30, Romans 8:15, 1 John 4:18, Hebrews 11:6*
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Application: What can I do? How can I live this out?

- **Become a Servant and Receive Your Mina**

- Believe in Christ and be saved first! Become a *servant* of Christ. Receive the mina; the life and opportunities entrusted to you by God.
 - Reference Verse(s): *Ephesians 2:8-10, John 1:12, Romans 10:9-10, 2 Corinthians 6:2*

- **Respond (in Faith and) with Your Words and Actions**

- Do not bury your mina: steward it well. Let your daily words and actions be evidence and a witness to your faith. Be salt and light.
 - Reference Verse(s): *Colossians 3:17, Matthew 5:16, James 1:22, 1 Peter 4:10-11*

- **Live Today in Confidence of Christ's Return**

- Steward each day purposefully, knowing that we are saved **for** doing good. We will receive our reward and the promise of Christ's return.
 - Reference Verse(s): *2 Timothy 2:12, 2 Corinthians 5:10, Matthew 24:42-44, Revelation 22:12*
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