

Come let us Grow Together: Don't Bury your Talent

Come let us Grow Together is a weekly series that deals with the many topical categories that exist within the Word of God. The purpose of this series is to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and understanding in things pertaining to God.

For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two. But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. (Matt 25:14-30 KJV)

Don't be as the one that buried his talent that the Lord had given to him. Don't be as one that doesn't even know that he has squandered away the talent his Lord has given to him. The Lord has given to each of us according to our individual ability. But what are you doing with the talent the Lord has given to you? Are you as one that has digged down into the earth and has hidden his talent?

There are those that have wasted and squandered their talents pursuing careers with them. Seeking to make gain in the natural world with the talent that their Lord gave unto them. Are you one of these unprofitable servants of whom when his Lord comes will catch him unawares?

There are also those claiming and believing that they are using their talent that their Lord gave to them for the kingdom of heaven and yet instead are exploiting the gospel for gain. Are you one

of these unprofitable servants who when your Lord comes will find you asleep and with no oil in your lamp?

What are you doing with the talent your Lord has given to you? Are you using it for the kingdom of God and for his righteousness? What is your motives behind what you are doing with the talent your Lord has given to you? Are you seeking to reach the multitudes for personal gain? Or are you seeking to edify the Body of Christ and to bring glory and honor unto our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ? Are you reaching and stretching yourself for the benefit of others and for a testimony of Jesus Christ? Or are you seeking to please yourself in your own pursuit of happiness?

Don't be as the wicked and unprofitable servant who has either buried his talent or squandered it away pursuing earthly possessions that blow away with the wind.

And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath. But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken; The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. (Lk 12:42-47 KJV)

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