

## A POOR INVESTMENT • LUKE 19:11-27

Read 19:11-27

1. What is the context for this parable, and why does Luke tell us?

Read 19:12-15

2. In your own words, translate this parable into the real life situation of which Jesus was referring. Who are the subjects, the king, etc.

3. What does the money that the servants were entrusted with represent?

4. When Jesus asked them to “put the money to work,” in real life what was He expecting His disciples to do?

5. Why do you think the man buried what he was given?

6. Look up the following verses and summarize how Paul saw his stewardship

Galatians 2:7

1 Timothy 1:11

1 Timothy 6:20

2 Timothy 1:14

7. Make a list of all the major things you feel God has entrusted to you at this moment and wants you to use for His kingdom.
  
8. In what area do you feel that you are “earning a profit” for God’s kingdom?
  
9. Read 19:24-27. In what areas of faithfulness, have you seen this principle of “being given more?”
  
10. This same principle applies to Christ’s teaching (understanding of God’s word is the most precious commodity). How have you seen this stewardship principle as it relates to God’s word? How have you seen it work in those who don’t apply what they know?
  
11. Why is stewardship best demonstrated when the master is gone?
  
12. How were the Pharisees and disciples examples of these principles?
  
13. In telling this story, what is Jesus concerned might happen upon His death?
  
14. In what area do you desire to be a better steward of what God has given you in order that you might hear “Well done, my good and faithful servant?”

#### Homework

This ends Jesus’ final journey to Jerusalem. On your own this week, read the rest of the gospel of Luke and the events that transpire upon Jesus’ arrival in Jerusalem.