

Living with the End in Mind

Mt 25:14-30

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Comparison of the slaves

1 st and 2 nd slaves	3 rd slave
Get to work "immediately" (vv. 16a, 17a)	Takes his time (v. 18)
Hardworking (vv. 16-17)	Did what was easiest (v. 18)
Good and faithful (vv. 21, 23)	Wicked and lazy (v. 26)
Fear missing an opportunity (vv. 16-17)	Fears losing something (v. 25)
View master positively (vv. 20, 22)	Views master negatively (v. 24)
Honor their master (vv. 20, 22)	Dishonors his master (vv. 24-25)
Achieve 100% gain (vv. 20, 22)	Achieves 0% gain (v. 25)
Devoid of any excuses but full of results (vv. 20, 22)	Full of excuses but devoid of any results (vv. 24-25)
Rewarded with eternal joy (vv. 20-22)	Punished with eternal torment (v. 30)
Gain more than what they achieved (vv. 21, 23, 28)	Loses even the little that he has (v. 28)

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Practical takeaways

1. Make a list of what Christ has entrusted to you.
2. Make a list of what you'd like to ambitiously accomplish to Christ's glory.
3. Learn to make money grow.
4. Study hard.
5. In everything, be ambitious to Christ's glory.

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