

# The Saved Serve Christ!

Grace Bible Chapel

Olivet Discourse Outline #12 – Matt. 25:14-30

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**Context:** Our Lord presents timeless parables as He addresses the required actions of His slaves (His professing followers) during their time on earth and prior to His promised return. His emphasis is on preparedness for His coming seen in faithfulness and the reckoning before Him that will follow. In this parable He addresses the use of the talents He has given each person and the importance of not squandering the opportunity, but instead using them for His glory. The use of talents is both a principle and a required reality. As with the previous parables, this is a warning to all who claim a relationship with Him. We are saved by grace not for a life of carelessness, but for a life of devoted service and usefulness for our Lord. This parable reminds us of our serious responsibility and accountability. Not only is it a reminder to display our faith by serving obedience, but how we react to His commands demonstrates whether our relationship to Him is genuine resulting in eternal reward, or failure resulting in eternal separation. The simple title, “The Saved Serve Christ” is a true doctrine disclosed in this parable.

**Broad outline (underlined is the immediate context).**

- I. Complex Questions
- II. Circumstances
- III. Compelling Answers (Matt. 24:1-44)
- IV. Circumspect Living (Matt. 24:45-25:30)
  - A. Stewardship (Matt. 24:45-51)
  - B. Status of the Unprepared (Matt. 25:1-13)
  - C. Serving Requirement (Matt. 25:14-30)

### Key Words (Matt. 25:14-30)

- talents (12)
- Master (10)
- received (7)
- faithful (4)
- slave (4)
- entrusted (3)

Introduction:

C. Serving Requirement (Matt. 25:14-30)

- Situation (Vs. 14-15)
- Signifying reactions (Vs. 16-18)
- Scrupulous reckoning (Vs. 19-27)
- Subsequent rewards (Vs. 28-30)

Closing: