

Going from Useless to Useful

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Matt. 25:14-21, 25-30, 34-40, Isaiah 48:17,
Psalm 133:1-3, Philemon 1:10-19,
Luke 10:35, Proverbs 19:17, Luke 24:32

Matthew 25:14

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.

Matthew 25:15

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.

Talent = \$1000.00

Matthew 25:16

Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.

Matthew 25:17

And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two.

Matthew 25:18

**But he that had
received one went
and digged in the
earth, and hid his
lord's money.**

Matthew 25:19

**After a long time the
lord of those servants
cometh, and
reckoneth with them.**

Matthew 25:20

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.

Matthew 25:21

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.

**Our level of blessing
is our
responsibility**

Matthew 25:25

**And I was afraid, and
went and hid thy
talent in the earth: lo,
there thou hast that is
thine.**

Matthew 25:26

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:

Matthew 25:27

Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

Matthew 25:28

**Take therefore the
talent from him, and
give it unto him which
hath ten talents.**

Matthew 25:29

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.

Matthew 25:30

And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.

Be profitable

Matthew 25:34

**Then shall the King say unto
them on his right hand,
Come, ye blessed of my
Father, inherit the kingdom
prepared for you from the
foundation of the world:**

Matthew 25:35

**For I was an hungred, and
ye gave me meat: I was
thirsty, and ye gave me
drink: I was a stranger,
and ye took me in:**

Matthew 25:36

**Naked, and ye clothed
me: I was sick, and ye
visited me: I was in
prison, and ye came
unto me.**

Matthew 25:37

**Then shall the righteous
answer him, saying,
Lord, when saw we thee
an hungred, and fed
thee? or thirsty, and
gave thee drink?**

Matthew 25:38

**When saw we thee a
stranger, and took
thee in? or naked,
and clothed thee?**

Matthew 25:39

**Or when saw we
thee sick, or in
prison, and came
unto thee?**

Matthew 25:40

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Isaiah 48:17

Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.

Psalm 133:1

**Behold, how good and
how pleasant it is for
brethren to dwell
together in unity!**

Psalm 133:2

**It is like the precious
ointment upon the head,
that ran down upon the
beard, even Aaron's beard:
that went down to the
skirts of his garments;**

Psalm 133:3

**As the dew of Hermon, and
as the dew that descended
upon the mountains of
Zion: for there the LORD
commanded the blessing,
even life for evermore.**

**What are we
doing with
what He has
given us?**

Philemon 1:10

**I beseech thee for my
son Onesimus, whom
I have begotten in my
bonds:**

Philemon 1:11

**Which in time past was
to thee unprofitable,
but now profitable to
thee and to me:**

Philemon 1:12

**Whom I have sent
again: thou therefore
receive him, that is,
mine own bowels:**

Philemon 1:13

**Whom I would have retained with me,
that in thy stead he might have
ministered unto me in the bonds of the
gospel:**

Philemon 1:14

**But without thy mind would I do nothing;
that thy benefit should not be as it
were of necessity, but willingly.**

Philemon 1:15

**For perhaps he therefore departed for a
season, that thou shouldest receive
him for ever;**

Philemon 1:16

Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

Philemon 1:17

**If thou count me therefore a partner,
receive him as myself.**

Philemon 1:18

**If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee
ought, put that on mine account;**

Philemon 1:19

I Paul have written it with mine own hand, I will repay it: albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.

Onesimus
means
useful

**Onesimus
later bishop
of the
church of Ephesus**

Luke 10:35

And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

Proverbs 19:17

**He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth
unto the LORD; and that which he
hath given will he pay him again.**

**If anyone has
wronged or
cheated you,
remember Jesus
paid it all for you.**

**Don't hold
anything
against anyone
who has
done you wrong.**

**Thank God for
His amazing
grace.**

Luke 24:32

And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?