

## HOW TO INVEST YOUR LIFE

Essentials for Living  
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*"We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)*

### SEVEN PRINCIPLES FOR INVESTING YOUR LIFE

Matthew 25:14-30

#### 1. OWNERSHIP: EVERYTHING I HAVE \_\_\_\_\_

*"Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his property to them." (vs. 14)*

#### 2. ALLOCATION: GOD HAS GIVEN ME SOME \_\_\_\_\_

*"To one he gave five talents of money, to another two talents, and to another one talent, each according to his ability." (vs. 15)*

*"We have different gifts, according to the grace given us". Romans 12:6 (NIV)*

#### 3. ACCOUNTABILITY: GOD EXPECTS ME TO \_\_\_\_\_

*"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts." (vs. 19)*

One day God will ask ME: What did you \_\_\_\_\_ with what you were \_\_\_\_\_?

#### 4. UTILIZATION: IT IS WRONG FOR ME TO \_\_\_\_\_

- 1<sup>st</sup> man doubled his talents. (vs. 16)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> man doubled his talents. (vs. 17)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> man \_\_\_\_\_ his talents. (vs. 18)

The master's reaction: (vs. 26-27)

*"You wicked, lazy servant"*

#### 5. MOTIVATION: \_\_\_\_\_ KEEPS ME FROM USING MY TALENT

*"I was afraid and went out and hid your talent in the ground." (vs 25)*

#### 6. APPLICATION: IF I DON'T USE IT, \_\_\_\_\_

*"Take the talent from him and give it to the one who has ten talents." (vs. 28)*

The way to invest my talents is through:

#### 7. COMPENSATION: IF I USE MY TALENT WISELY, I WILL \_\_\_\_\_

*"His master replied, 'Well done good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things—I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'" (vs. 23)*

When are you going to "Move into Ministry"?

### Next Steps

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