

Matthew 25:14-23  
"Principles of,  
Stewardship"

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## 1. Introduction

- a. Discover God, Develop talents
  - learn to be steward of God's gifts
- b. Talent weighed about 60 pounds
  - could be of any precious metals such as gold, silver, or brass
- c. Six principles of stewardship

## 2. Steward: You Do Not Own It

- a. Steward: proper care of someone other's property
  - legal word: fiduciary agent
  - \* person takes careful use

b. In God's view, Christians are servants

## 3. Steward: You Have Been Given Something Different

- a. One received 5 talents
- b. Another received 2 talents
- c. Third received 1 talent
- d. Person gifted according to their ability
- e. Steward rule: Good, Better, Best

## 4. Steward: Greatest Joy in Life

- a. Giving back to owner his expected increase
- b. Reward: "Well done, good & faithful servant."
- c. Receive a good word from your Lord

5. Begin Work With End in Mind
- a. Looking for temporal praise?
    - Human praise is temporary
  - b. Looking for eternal reward?
    - Word of God
    - Souls of men

6. Faithfulness Is Success
- a. "Good & faithful servant"
  - b. Christian is faithful in a few things
  - c. God will make you ruler in many things
  - d. God's final reward of faithfulness
    - Enter into the joy of your Lord

7. ~~Faithfulness~~ Greatest Possessions  
Is Truth & Position in Life
- a. Prov 23: 22 - 26
    - truth is in Word of God
  - b. Every person born into family position
    - male or female
    - son or daughter
  - c. Most people form adult family
    - husband or wife
    - father or mother