

Stewarding the Master's Minas

Luke 19:11–27

Main Point

We must wisely steward our lives until our King returns.

I. The Setting

A. Place: Jerusalem

B. People: Those who were grumbling against Zachaeus (19:7)

II. The Parable

A. The Nobleman — enters a far country to receive a vassal-kingship; entrusts his slaves to invest his money and gain interest/profit

B. The Citizens — rejected the rule of the nobleman; those who reject the rule of the King will be severely judged (19:27)

1. This appears to be a reference to the people who did not receive the Word incarnate (cf. John 1:6–13)

2. Those who reject Christ as Messiah will experience severe judgment (Rev. 20:11–15)

C. The Slaves

1. Each slave received a mina (equivalent of roughly 3 months of wages)

2. The first two slaves earned interest and profit for the nobleman; the third did not invest the mina which was entrusted to him

3. The result: those who are faithful are rewarded (19:26a); the unfaithful are judged (19:26b)

III. The Point

A. We wisely steward our lives because our King has entrusted us with responsibilities.

B. We wisely steward our lives because our King will come back.

C. We wisely steward our lives because our King will reward us.