



The Parable Of The Talents

Matthew 25:14-30

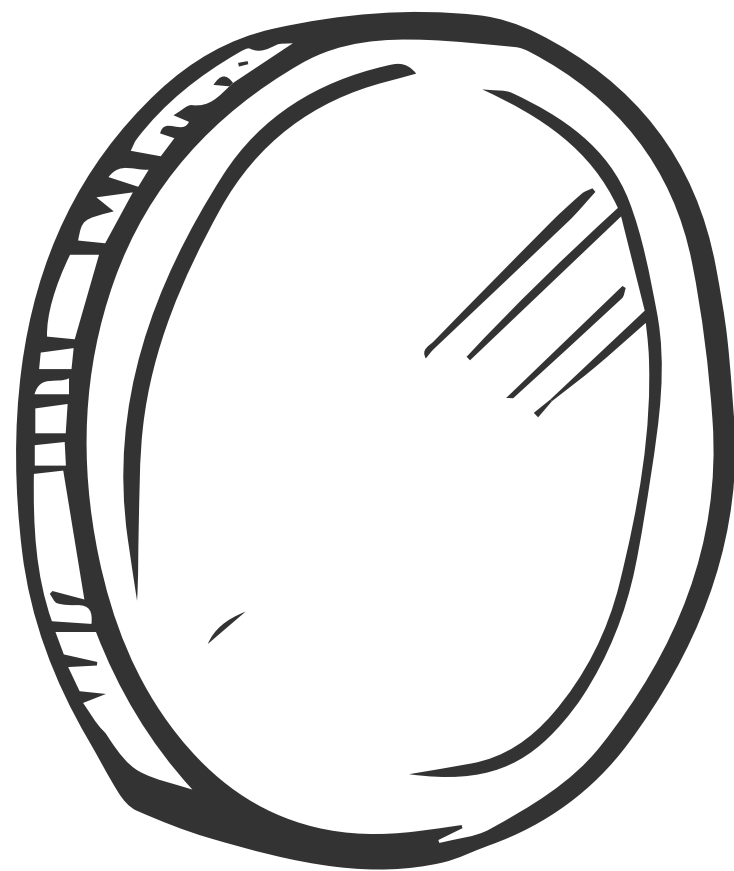
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Quest for the **Kingdom**: the Kingdom of Heaven in the Gospel of Matthew

In other words, this parable spans the beginning, middle, and end of our Christian story: a man (Jesus), called his servants (us), and entrusted to them his property (“talents”).

They did or did not do something with them, and then he returns and issues or removes rewards.





One talent seems to have been equivalent to 6,000 denarii, or 6,000 days worth of wages for a day labourer. This makes the talent worth about \$1,000,000 dollars in today's money.

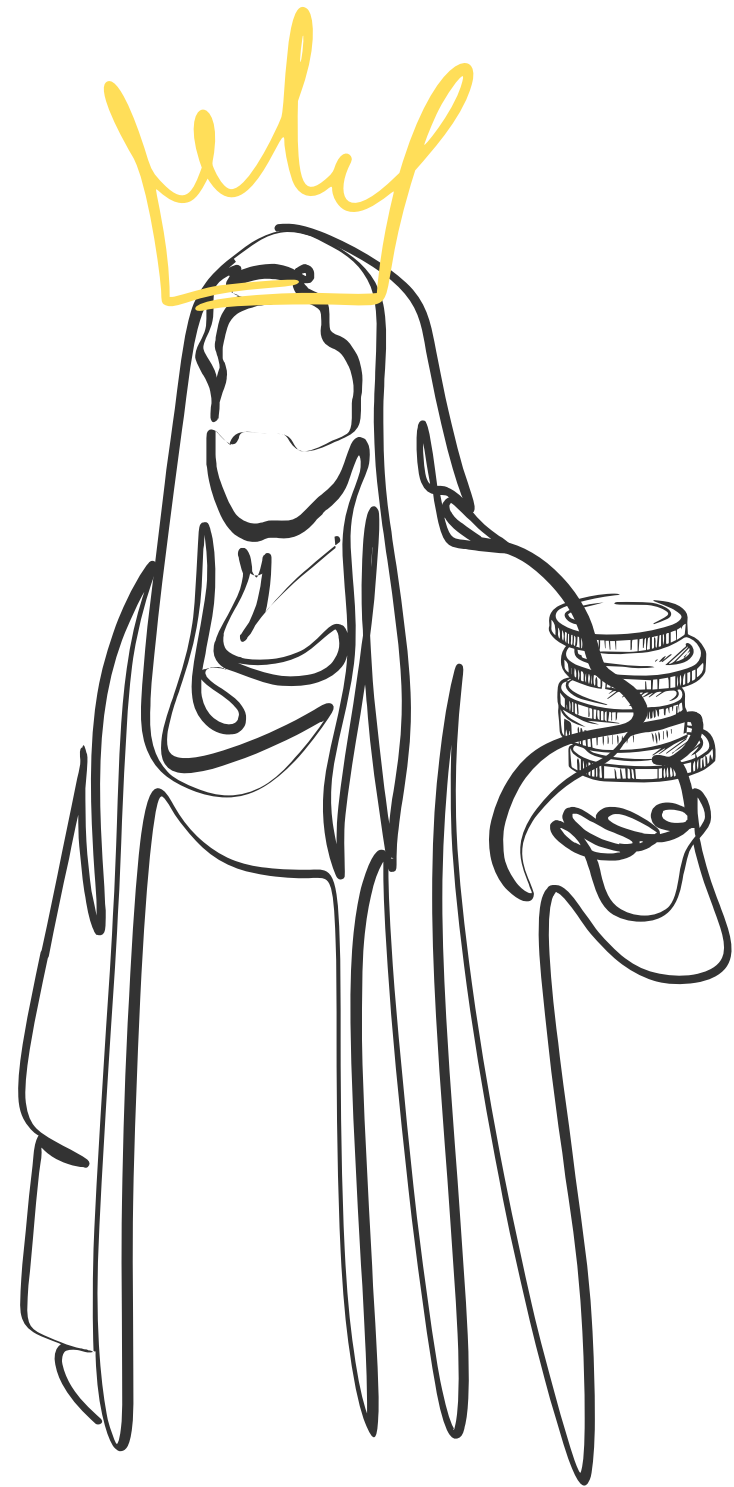
This is important because even the servant who was only given 1 talent was given something of massive value.

**When Jesus says “talent” here,
he means the tasks, abilities,
endowments and
opportunities bequeathed to
his disciples, and what they do
with such opportunities.**



His servants are to complete the tasks he's given them, using the abilities and endowments and opportunities he's given them, thereby multiplying his investment.





The Master is not concerned with who made the most of what he gave them, but rather what they did with what he gave them.

Maybe you don't have "5 talents" or "2 talents" worth of abilities, opportunities, endowments, and tasks. But if you've got one, you are a spiritual millionaire.

