

Series "Knowing The Exact Truth"
"Dedication To God"
Luke 19:11-27
Study-78

We think we know what's going to be said, so we don't bother to listen!
Luke 19:11

The Purpose of This Parable: Clear up false thinking that the kingdom of God would appear and be established immediately. His people remaining dedicated to Him. Coming judgment from the King!

God is the Ultimate Judge/King.

This is not a popular subject today with some people. Luke 19:27

Luke 19 Jesus Completes His Travelogue To Jerusalem:

The Thought Of Our Passage: "God's Kingdom Will Come In Its Fullness At A Time God Determines, So Until Then, Serve Him Intelligently"

1. Verses 11-14 The Setting
2. Verses 15-19 The Faithful
3. Verses 20-26 The Unfaithful
4. Verse 27 The Rebellious

1. Verses 11-14 The Setting:

Luke 19:11 While they were listening to these things, Context -

Jesus had come into Jericho. There He entered the home of a tax collector named Zaccheus.

listening to these things, Luke 19:9-10 Jesus told the parable immediately after the notorious tax collector, Zaccheus, came to faith in Him.

Jesus went on to tell a parable (Two parables into one: the Parable of minas and the Parable of the king's rejection) because He was near Jerusalem, Jesus was reaching His goal

and they supposed that the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately. Literally, "*the complete display of the kingdom and authority of God would appear at once*" **2 Samuel 7:10-17; Isaiah 35; Luke 1:32-33 (God would establish forever)**

Luke 19:12 nobleman – Was a leader, governor over a district or area. (Jesus)

There Will Be An Interval Between Jesus' 1st And 2nd Coming:

went to a distant country (Ascension to Heaven) to receive a kingdom for himself, (Coronation) and then return. (Second Coming)

The listener knew of this real-life story. Herod the Great died in 4 B.C. Herod had six wills. Herod had three sons, **Antipas, Archelaus,** and **Phillip.** **Antipas** and **Archelaus** both wanted the kingdom. To be crowned King. (Judea, Galilee, Samaria, Idumea) It was Herod Archelaus, who had his palace located in Jericho, who went to Rome to be crowned.

Luke 19:13 "And he called ten of his slaves, and gave them ten minas, (the KJV uses pounds) ten minas, the term **minas** is Greek for **pounds** which is about 3 months, or 100 days' pay, of the average workers. All servants entrusted (The Gospel Message)

slaves - These slaves represent the followers of Jesus. The servants of God.

God's Servant's In Christ's Absence Are To Watch And Work: and said to them, 'Do business with this until I come back.' **"business."** service not salvation.

Luke 19:14 Jesus' First Coming Will End In Rejection: "But his citizens hated him, the people hated Archelaus (Israel rejected Jesus, **John 1:11)**

and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.' There was 50 people a Jews and Samaritan delegation that went to Rome

2. Verses 15-19 The Faithful:

Luke 19:15 The Second Coming Of Jesus: "When he returned, after receiving the kingdom, Archelaus returning from Rome for his kingdom. (Second coming of Jesus)

2 Corinthians 5:10

Opportunity Means Responsibility: "Do business until I return" This was the nobleman's commandment; each servant was given the same amount of money.

Not to be confused with **Matthew 25:14-30 Parable of Talents.** Both deal with faithfulness. There were only **three servants. Each** was given a different amount depending on individual abilities. **Talents** - represent their abilities. (Gifts)

In Luke's parable, there are **10 servants**, and each is given the same amount. They are each given 100 days' pay. Only three are mentioned (Investments)

The (minas) pound - represents something that every follower has. That can only be *the Gospel message*. **1 Corinthians 4:1; 1 Thessalonians 2:4**

The gospel is a treasure, and Paul described it as being in earthen vessels. **(2 Cor. 4:7)**

Verses 16-19 Servants Rewarded For Faithfulness: Luke 19:16 "The first appeared, saying, 'Master, your mina has made ten minas more.'

Luke 19:17 you are to be in authority over ten cities.' **2 Timothy 2:12**

Luke 19:18 "The second came, saying, 'Your mina, master, has made five minas.'

We should not expect all believers to have the same results.

Luke 19:19 "And he said to him also, 'And you are to be over five cities.'

Cities – speaks of rewards, but how do they apply to us here and now? They speak of this life the greater capacity for ministry and greater opportunity for service.

Joshua – serves by the side of Moses

Timothy – Was Paul's faithful partner and God raised him up to take Paul's place.

Faithfulness in the service of God is now.

What opportunities has God given us lately?

3. Verses 20-26 The Unfaithful:

Luke 19:20 saying, 'Master, (or Lord) He may have called him that, but he did not do what his master, or Lord, said.

Unfaithfulness Is Sin: We are told to do something, and we don't respond **Luke 6:46**

which I kept put away in a handkerchief; He believed that his master was coming back

Luke 19:21 Unfaithfulness Is A Result Of A Wrong Heart: for I was afraid of you, Notice that there was no love in his heart, but there was fear.

fear – *"reverence for the Lord"*

It is not a fear that **paralyzes** us but **mobilizes** us.

because you are an exacting man – *"austere, stern, harsh and severe, sour unripe fruit" No grace, no concept of forgiveness. Slanders God*

Love And Faithfulness Go Together: Matthew 11:29

Luke 19:22 used his own words to indict him. **1 Corinthians 3:15**

you worthless slave. Fear should motivate us to act wisely

Luke 19:23 That your words are not a reason, they are an excuse!

Luke 19:24 Servants Unfaithfulness Cost Him His Reward: 'Take the mina away from him and give it to the one who has the ten minas.'

It is given to the servant that has proved that he could handle the responsibility.

Luke 19:25-16 Luke 8:18

but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away. That he could not be trusted with a few things.

The Great Lesson: What we have and don't use, we will lose, and those who use what they have will be blessed with abundance!

2 John 8; Revelation 22:12

4. Verse 27 The Rebellious:

Luke 19:27 "But these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, this was the people in **Luke 19:14**

"But these enemies of mine, who were they? The context was the nation of Israel. Later it would be a Christ-rejecting world that wants life on their terms. "Did it my way!"

bring them here and slay them in my presence."

The day will bring judgment on the disobedient.

The Full Application: When Jesus Christ returns, He will punish those that are God haters and rejecters. **Revelation 14:9-11; 19:11-16**

Jesus had just made this statement just moments before. **Luke 19:10**

2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 God does not want it this way. He wants the lost to be saved. 2 Peter 3:9

Application: Parable reveals 3 kinds of people:

1. The Faithful Servants That Intelligently Serve The Lord Know That God Has Entrusted Them With The Message Of The Gospel To Share Until He Returns:
2. Unfaithful Servants That Do Nothing Lack A Love In Their Relationship With The King. Love And Faithfulness Go Together:
3. Rebellious People Who Reject The King Of King's Rightful Reign Over Them Do So Because They Want To Be Their Own King: