

Title: Well Done

Text: Matthew 25:14-30

Target: "Well Done" is the only affirmation that will last in eternity.

1. **Remember God is the Source:** *"For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property." (Vs. 14)*
 - a. **You have been Entrusted:** *"called his servants and entrusted"*
 - b. **You have been given Oversight:** *"His property"*

Discussion question: *In what areas of your life have you forgotten that God is the owner and you are the steward?*

Discussion question: *What has God entrusted to you right now...Resources, relationships, responsibilities?*

2. **Recognize all Gifts are not the Same:** *"To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away." (Vs. 15)*
 - a. **Gifts are given upon Capacity:** *"according to his ability"*
 - b. **Gifts are given as a Responsibility:** *"then he went away"*

Discussion question: *Do you struggle with comparison in how God has distributed talents or opportunities? Why or why not?*

Discussion question: *What gift or "talent" do you believe God has given you and how have you used (or buried) it?*

3. **Reason your Blessed is for Stewardship:** *"He who had received the five talents **went at once and traded** with them, and he made five talents more. **So also** he who had the two talents **made** two talents more. But he who had received the one talent **went and dug** in the ground and hid his master's money." (Vs. 15-18)*
 - a. **Traded:** Upgraded
 - b. **Made:** Invested
 - c. **Dug:** Wasted

Discussion question: *Which of the three servants (trader, investor, or digger) do you most identify with in this season of your life and why?*

Discussion question: *What fears or lies might be keeping you from fully investing your gifts for God's kingdom?*

4. **Reflect on the Future day of Settlement:** *"Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them." (Vs. 19)*
 - a. **The Master is Coming**
 - b. **The Master is Rewarding**

Discussion question: *If Jesus returned today, what account would you give Him about your time, talents, and treasure?*

Discussion question: *How often do you reflect on eternity when making life decisions? What would change if you did?*

Key Verse: *"For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil." (2 Cor. 5:10)*

5. **Redirect your life towards this Statement:** *"His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'" (Vs. 21)*

- a. **Well Done:** High praise given by someone in authority
- b. **Good:** Morally upright, pure in motive, kind in action, and godly in character
- c. **Faithful:** Trustworthy, reliable, dependable, loyal
- d. **Servant:** One who is wholly surrendered to the will of another

Discussion question: What does "Well Done" mean to you in your current season of life?

Discussion question: Which of the four words in that phrase (Well Done, Good, Faithful, Servant) do you feel called to grow in most and why?

Quote: "If heaven's highest praise for humanity is 'Well Done', then let it be my life's greatest goal on this earth." - John Piper

Takeaway: Jesus is Coming. And when He does, He's not asking what you started with. He's asking what you did with it.

Challenge: We're calling on **faithful servants** who want to hear "Well Done" from the Master.

This is your moment. This is your talent.

Will you invest it or bury it?

 **Take the next step:**

Sign up to serve with **LoveSA** and put your gifts into motion. There's a place for everyone, whether you're five-talent, two-talent, or one-talent, because what matters is **faithfulness**.

Let's not just talk about being good and faithful servants.....**Let's live it out.**

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