

Careful or Faithful?

Matthew 25:14-30

A man went on a journey . . .

1. Each servant entrusted (14-15)

#1 - 5 talents –

#2 - _____ talents –

#3 - _____ talent –

“Each according to his own ability” (15)

talent =

2. Each servant _____ (16-18)

#1 - $5 + 5 =$ _____

#2 - $2 + 2 =$ _____

#3 - $1 + 0 =$ _____

“Now after a long time” (19)

3. Each servant _____ (19-30)

#1 and #2 -

“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.” (23)

#3 -

“wicked and slothful servant” (26)

What did the wicked servant do wrong?

- His failure was not an _____ deficiency.
"each according to his own ability" (15)
- His failure was not a _____ deficiency.
"after a long time" (19)
- His failure was not a _____ deficiency.

* He was _____ rather than _____.

- motivated by _____
- trusted his own _____ rather than his master's.

Message for us –

Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Luke 12:32

Will you _____ on what you _____ and _____?