

RICH & JOYCE MATTOCKS: LUKE 19:11-27

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. What was your reaction to the slave versus servant idea? Have you ever thought about that idea and its impact on your life choices?
3. The story Jesus told made it clear that each of us get to choose which slave we will become. Which servant or slave do you think you are currently? Share with your group where you are now in life, or which of the slaves you want to become as your life goal.
4. Rich mentioned that in our generation he is seeing an increase in the ways we are being pressured into behaving like the third slave who did not increase or invest for the kingdom, but instead hid his mina in a handkerchief. Do you think we are being pressured into being like the third slave? If yes, in what ways do you see that happening?
5. Do you think the third slave will be in Heaven? (Read also Matthew 25:14-29)
6. Rich mentioned that God, our King, delights in us expanding His kingdom. Which slave do you think in the long run had the most fun in life and the best long-term outcome?
7. The slaves were not given specific directions how to invest for the king. Did the idea that we are free to invest in various ways spark any new ideas about how God might bless your efforts to use the unique creativity He gave you?
8. Rich mentioned that people in Papua New Guinea had more peace and were less anxious from listening to God's Word, the Bible. Have you tried downloading the Bible and listening to the Bible while you do chores, exercise or commute? What was the result from listening to God's Word on your anxiety level and other areas of your life?
9. Is there someone with whom you would like to share the idea of listening to God's Word?

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