

Home Family Worship with Kids 33. November 15th, 2020

Matthew 25:14-30 Parable of the Talents

Message: Gifts are great things. We all like to get gifts. It is even better when we get a gift that we can tell was specially picked for us. Jesus told the parable of the talents to help us all understand who God is and what He has called us to do with the gifts he gives to us.

Read the Parable from the Bible or watch one of the clips below.

Just like the Master in the parable was generous and trusted the servants, so God is generous to us. He gives us plenty of gifts and lots to do with them. Our gifts might be things that we own – like money or toys, or it could be talents that we have – activities that we are good at doing. God has given us so much because he is generous. He has given us our gifts so that we can use them to help others and to share God's love to everyone.

Each of the servants was given a gift. It was something they had to look after and use for the Master. They were gifts they were to look after until the Master came back. God has given us gifts too, gifts to use here on earth and when Jesus comes back to earth or when we go to heaven, he will want to know what we did with the gifts that he had given to us. God does not want us to compare our gift to anyone else's, he is just wanting us to do the best with what we have. Remember gifts can be things we have or skills we have. God wants us to use our gifts to help others.

Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UblAZDPu3Pg>

Modern day parable of the talents by kids

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsA-f8yegwM>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hg1Sel-LxsA>

Something for older children to think about – don't compare your gift/ what you have to others.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u9-XGeUfYC4>

Reflection questions. Are you good at looking after things? Why/why not?
What have you been given by God?
Do you think you use the talents that you have been given?
When was a time that you used your talent to help others?
Who can you ask to help you use your gifts more?

Songs: We all have gifts to share:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G8vfPPfQ0bo>

A gift to you: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n3iG1gkW9R0>

This little light of mine: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKkblZtqhyQ>

Activity: https://biblewise.com/kids/images/fun/full_of_talent.pdf Print the sheet and fill it in, discussing the child's gift/s