

Parables Waiting for the Master's Return
Matthew 24:45—25:30

24:45-51	Parable of the Faithful and Wicked Servants
25:1-13	Parable of the Ten Virgins
25:14-30	Parable of the Talents

The Master Entrusts His Servants with Responsibility

The master set his servants over his household, to give them their food at the proper time (24:45)

Ten virgins invited to the marriage feast (25:1)

Called his servants and entrusted to them his property. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, each according to his ability. (25:15)

The Master Is Delayed

“My master is delayed” (24:48)

As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy (25:5)

For it will be like a man going on a journey ... Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them (25:14, 19)

While the Master Is Away...

Found doing when he comes (24:46)

The wise took flasks of oil with their lamps (25:4)

He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more (25:16-17)

Beat his fellow servants and eats and drinks with drunkards (24:49)

When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them (25:3)

But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money (25:18)

When the Master Returns...

He will set him over all his possessions (24:47)

Those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast (25:10)

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 (25:21, 23)

Cut him in pieces ... there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth (24:51)

The door was shut ... truly, I say to you, I do not know you (25:10; 7:23)

And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth (25:30)