Kingdom Investments Do business until I return Luke 19:11-27

As they heard these things, he proceeded to tell a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and because they supposed that the kingdom of God was to appear immediately. He said therefore, "A nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and then return. Calling ten of his servants, he gave them ten minas, and said to them, 'Engage in business until I come.' But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us. When he returned, having received the kingdom, he ordered these servants to whom he had given the money to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by doing business.

The first came before him, saying, 'Lord, your mina has made ten minas more.' And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you have been faithful in a very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.'

And the second came, saying, 'Lord, your mina has made five minas.' And he said to him, 'And you are to be over five cities.' Then another came, saying, 'Lord, here is your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief; for I was afraid of you, because you are a severe man. You take what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.'

He said to him, 'I will condemn you with your own words, you wicked servant! You knew that I was a severe man, taking what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow?

Why then did you not put my money in the bank, and at my coming I might have collected it with interest?'
And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to the one who has the ten minas.'
And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten minas!'
'I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.

But as for these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slaughter them before me."

OVERVIEW

- Nobleman leaves to get a kingdom
- The Kingdom is his own country
- The nobleman goes to another king to receive his kingdom
- The nobleman leaves his slaves with business to do
- Some send a delegation and say they don't want this king
- Some are found to be true followers
- Some are found to be false followers
- Some are found to be enemies of the new king
- First group are rewarded
- Second group are rejected
- Third group are destroyed



Familiar



Unfamiliar

Jesus will be Saviour, then he will be King

As they heard these things, he proceeded to tell a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and because they supposed that the kingdom of God was to appear immediately. v1

When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

John 6:14-15

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever."

Rev 11:15

Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war.

His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself.

Rev 19:11-12

Engage in business until I come. v13

A call to honour the absent king



- ✓ Judgement of Sinship
- ✓ Judgement of Sonship
- ✓ Judgement of Stewardship

But his citizens hated him... v14

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities---all things were created through him and for him.

You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. 1 Cor 6:19

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Col 1:16-17

Rejecting Christ does not change His rule over you

"They hated Me without a cause," John 15:25

When he returned, having received the kingdom, he ordered these servants to whom he had given the money to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by doing business. v15

'Lord, your mina has made ten minas more,' Because you have been faithful in a very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.' v17

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him" 1 Cor 2:9

'Lord, here is your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief; v20

I was afraid of you, because you are a severe man. You take what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.' v21

And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to the one who has the ten minas.' And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten minas!' v24-25

2 Pet 1:5-9

For this very reason, make every effort to <u>add to</u> <u>your faith</u> goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

But if anyone does not have them, he is short-sighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins. And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. 1 John 2:28

"I have done what I could for God and for His people with my eyes. Now I shall do what I can for God without my eyes." William Booth

