

# The Kingdom of God And Personal Responsibility

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Luke 19:11-28

Intro. **A.** The true church is a unique institution.

1. It is (They are) His Kingdom Representatives.
2. The Jewish nation Rejected Jesus as their King. As a Result, Israel, as God's Representative on earth was "broken off" and the Gentiles could now participate in Kingdom work by being "grafted" in. Matt 21:43, Roms 11:17-
3. We, (Gentiles) are not the root system, only grafted in to serve God until Jesus comes again.

**B.** Today we may place ourselves in a position to be a "servant" in this parable.

1. We must do as these Apostles and disciples did.
2. They repented and received Jesus as Saviour, Lord, and King.
3. They were immersed by proper authority.
4. They identified themselves with His

Kingdom.

**C.** Jesus spoke parable for two Reasons.

1. "...because he was nigh to Jerusalem".  
When Jesus entered Jerusalem, He would enter as King. This would elevate their expectations. His crucifixion would devastate them.
2. "...because they <sup>①</sup>thought that the Kingdom of God <sup>②</sup>should immediately <sup>③</sup>appear".  
δοκέω = "to form an estimate or opinion".  
② παραρρημα = "at the very moment", with the thing itself".  
③ αναφανομαι = to make to give light, to come into sight".
3. These people must learn the truth. He will go away. In His absence they must do His work. He will return and Judge them.

- (A.) All Christians will be called to Judgment. (2)
- Heb. 9:27 1. Some as born-again only.
- Roms. 14:10-13 2. Some as commissioned servants
3. All will be Judged, "according to what he hath".

- (B.) Those who were faithful were rewarded.
- Vs. 16-17 1. "Then came the first".
- Vs. 18-19 2. "And the second came".

- (B.) We must be faithful.
1. Every person is different.
  2. No one is exempt on any basis.
  3. There must <sub>be</sub> some "gain".

- (C.) Those who were unfaithful, suffered loss.
- Vs. 20a 1. "And another came, saying...".
- Vs. 20b 2. There was no gain.
- Vs. 21 3. He blames the nobleman as unfair.
- "austere" = αυστηρος = "making the tongue dry and harsh", "rough", "harsh" "mean-spirited".
- Vs. 22 4. This person set his own sentence.
- Vs. 23 5. There was a way to show gain.

### III. This Person Suffered loss.

- (A.) He could not be trusted with anything.
- Vs. 24 1. "Take from him the mina".
- Vs. 25 2. Others objected.

- (B.) This is a law of Judgment.
- Vs. 26 1. We should not object
2. Our ways are not His ways, etc.

- (C.) Israel as a nation would be punished.
- Vs. 27 1. They were destroyed.
2. Titus 70 A.D.