

Contemplating Stewardship: Matthew 25 Project

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It is like a man going on a journey, who called his servant and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents of money... After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. The one who had received the five talents brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five more.’ His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant!’” Matthew 25:14-21

The Matthew 25 Project is a fun way to raise awareness of stewardship of money, gifts and talents. This can be used as a youth fundraiser, a building campaign, or to boost your general budget. This is how we have done it. Our youth raised \$5000 but we needed \$10,000. So we took the \$5000 in cash and gave it away in \$50 bills to the congregation. We encouraged people to use their own gifts and talents to grow the money (hopefully to double it) and return it after a period of time. When the money was returned, it totaled over \$13,000. Well done, good and faithful servant!