



## Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions and praying through the issues will help you further meditate upon God's Word in order to see the areas of your life that need change.

1. This parable sounds remarkably similar to the one in Matthew 25:14—30 in fact some commentators say they are the same parable. Read through Luke 19:11—27 and Matthew 25:14—30 and note the similarities and the differences. Do you think they are the same parable? Why or why not?

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2. Verse 11 gives the reason why Jesus told the parable. What is that reason? Describe the wrong mindset that the disciples possessed.

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3. In verse 13, the nobleman gives 10 of his slaves 10 minas. What type of business were they supposed to conduct with the mina? What does the mina represent in the parable? Describe what in the text leads you to that conclusion.

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4. The slave who is spoken of in verses 20—26, why did he hide away the one mina? What was his understanding of his master? In what ways do we as Christians have that same, wrong mindset? Additionally, what are your thoughts about the spiritual condition of this particular slave? What does the text say that leads you to that particular conclusion?

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5. A person who enjoys investing is always looking for new opportunities to invest in. Shouldn't the believer have the same mindset in regard to his or her mina? Take some time and think of some different opportunities that you have to invest your mina. What are some ways the church as a whole could invest together?

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