

**TOWARDS SPIRITUAL MATURITY**

**LESSON #8**

**“Bury not thy Talent”**

**(Pgs. 56-61)**

**Matt. 25:14-30**

- 1. The author says “Every Person has a talent.” Do you agree or disagree? And Why?**
- 2. Where do we get these talents?**
- 3. What talent(s) do you have? List as many as you can think of.**
- 4. What “talent” has God given every Christian? 1 Cor. 4:1,2**
- 5. In the parable (Matt. 25:14-30), why did the master give them all different talents? (5,2,1)**
- 6. What point is the apostle Paul trying to make in 1 Cor. 12:12-27?**
- 7. In the parable, what was the attitude of each of the servants towards each other? Jealousy? Pride?**
- 8. What does God expect us to do with our talents? 1 Cor. 15:58; Matt. 20:1-16; James 1:25; Ecc. 9:10**

9. Why did God give men the various gifts that he did to the church at Ephesus, and ultimately to us as well?  
Eph. 4:7-16
10. How can WE use the talents God gave us (as listed above) to help in the work of this (Palmer Rd.) church? Eph. 4:12
11. What if we choose not to use our talents, just “bury them in the sand”? Will God be pleased with us?
12. Why did the one talent man act as he did?  
a. V24-
- b. V25-
13. Were those legitimate reasons? Why or why not?
14. What did he fail to see?
15. What does Jesus think of “small” things? Give scripture to prove your point

16. What will happen if we use our talents?

17. What will happen if we don't use our talents?

18. Since we are entrusted with the talents of another, what is certain to happen? 2 Cor. 5:10; Acts 17:30,31

19. On the day of reckoning, how were the 5 and 2 talent men treated? What were they called?

20. What about the one talent man?

**AT THE JUDGEMENT, IN WHICH GROUP WILL WE STAND?**