

Sermon Application Study

February 23, 2025

Target Passage → Luke 12:35-48

1. What does Jesus mean when he describes the faithful servant as one who is awake? (See also vs.42-44)
2. In the second short parable (vs.39-40) Jesus changes the imagery so that the master of the house is us and the “thief” is the Son of Man (Jesus referring to himself.) What is Jesus’ point?
3. According to Jesus, what are the possible outcomes on judgment day when the Son of Man returns?
4. What makes the difference between a severe beating and a light beating?

Bridge Passages (for further study) → 2 Peter 3:1-18

For Me →

1. Is constant expectancy of Jesus’ return something that should cause us to hunker down, just get through life the best we can, and wait it out? Explain.
2. Would you say you’re managing God’s household well now so that when he returns he finds you doing his will? Explain.

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for those you know who either don’t know God’s will or who know it but are rejecting or ignoring it. Ask the Lord to open their hearts to the gospel.

For the Mission →

1. Do you struggle with what Jesus says here about the judgment of those who reject or ignore God’s will (e.g. salvation, new life, the Kingdom of God, etc.)?
2. How much concern should we have for the salvation of people who are in and around the church, but seem to not take faithfulness to Christ too seriously? What should we do?