



Jesus' own words tell us why He taught in parables: "Because the secrets of the kingdom of heaven have been given for you to know, but it has not been given to them." (Matthew 13:11) "Them" are those with hard-hearts who rejected Jesus; those who wanted to see more signs and miracles but refused Jesus' message. To you who have eyes to see, the parables are beautiful stories that teach powerful lessons about Jesus being the ONE way to God's Kingdom!

The word talent can be used to mean a skill we have learned or do well; my talent is soccer, ballet, crochet, baseball, math, cooking, etc.

But talent can also mean a weight of money. In Biblical times, if I worked for about 20 years and piled all my money up on a scale, I would have about a talent of money (by weight)!

Though our parable looks at the financial meaning, it can be applied to our skills as well: No matter what God gives us—money or special skills—we can use it ALL to glorify God! And when we do, we share in our Master's joy!

READ

Matthew 25:14-30

Let everyone share something they heard.

DISCUSS

What resources and skills has God given each of you?

PRAY

Pray and ask God how HE wants you to use those resources and skills for His glory!

CREATE

Spend some time making an art piece glorifying God! Be creative and have fun!

For each AKM Series, we select a memory verse we work on each Sunday.
If you'd like to join us in working on it as a family,
display this page to practice during the week.

Summer Adventure

Take my **YOKE** upon
you and **LEARN** from
me, because I am
LOWLY and **HUMBLE**
in heart, and you will
find **REST** for your
souls.

MATTHEW 11:29



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