

THE

CHURCH'S

GOT

★ TALENT

Talent was the name of a unit of weight and money in the ancient world.

The Christian Bible has a story about a man who gave three servants talents to keep for him while he was away...

The meaning of the story is that people should make good use of their natural gifts. From this story came a new meaning of *talent*: "special gift."

Merriam-Webster online dictionary

As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

Matthew 24:3

Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

24:44

...the kingdom of heaven will be like...

25:1

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20 And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.'

22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.'

His master said to him,

*‘Well done, good and faithful servant.
You have been faithful over a little;
I will set you over much.
Enter into the joy of your master.’*

Matthew 25:21 & 23

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²² And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.'

²⁴ He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying,

'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.'

For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.

Matthew 25:29

Then the disciples came and said to Jesus, "Why do you speak to them in parables?"

And Jesus answered them,
"To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. **For to the one who has, more will be given, and he will have an abundance, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.**

This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand."

Matthew 13:10-13