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**The Investment**

**Matthew 25:14-30**

I. Here are the details of this parable.

- A. A \_\_\_\_\_ was going on a long journey. V 14
- B. Before he went he presented his servants with gold to \_\_\_\_\_ for him while he was gone. V. 15
- C. One servant was given \_\_\_\_\_ bags of gold and he put the money to work and earned \_\_\_\_\_ more bags of gold. V. 16
- D. Another servant was given \_\_\_\_\_ bags of gold and he put the money to work and earned \_\_\_\_\_ more bags of gold. V. 17
- E. The last servant was given just \_\_\_\_\_ bag of gold and he dug a hole and \_\_\_\_\_ the money. V. 18
- F. The master \_\_\_\_\_ from his long journey. V. 19
- G. The two servants who earned a return on the master's investment were given more \_\_\_\_\_ and more rewards. V. 21, 23
- H. The servant with the one bag of gold had his one bag taken away and was \_\_\_\_\_ of the master's house. V. 30

II. What are some of the truths that are taught in this passage?

- A. The Bible constantly affirms a \_\_\_\_\_ economic system. Forced sharing is not biblical.  
**Acts 5:4**
- B. Christ is coming back and we will be held \_\_\_\_\_ for what we have done and for what we have not done!
- C. It is not up to us to \_\_\_\_\_ God. It is our responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

III. How can we interpret this through the parable of the sower?

- A. A hard heart will want to know when they are going to get their \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. A rocky heart will assert that it is " \_\_\_\_\_ " and that they will live it the best way that they can.
- C. A weedy heart will complain that they are willing to give God an hour on Sunday but that he better \_\_\_\_\_ for it.
- D. A good soil heart will seek to push past their inhibitions and allow themselves to be stretched for more \_\_\_\_\_ towards Kingdom minded issues.