



## **SERMON NOTES**

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Scripture: Luke 19:11-27 (NAS)

Topic: "Being Prepared for His Coming"

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- 11 While they were listening to these things, Jesus went on to tell a parable, because He was near Jerusalem, and they supposed that the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately.
- 12 So He said, "A nobleman went to a distant country to receive a kingdom for himself, and then return.
- 13 "And he called ten of his slaves, and gave them ten minas and said to them, 'Do business with this until I come back.'
- 14 "But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.'
- 15 "When he returned, after receiving the kingdom, he ordered that these slaves, to whom he had given the money, be called to him so that he might know what business they had done.
- 16 "The first appeared, saying, 'Master, your mina has made ten minas more.'
- 17 "And he said to him, 'Well done, good slave, because you have been faithful in a very little thing, you are to be in authority over ten cities.'
- 18 "The second came, saying, 'Your mina, master, has made five minas.'
- 19 "And he said to him also, 'And you are to be over five cities.'
- 20 "Another came, saying, 'Master, here is your mina, which I kept put away in a handkerchief;
- 21 for I was afraid of you, because you are an exacting man; you take up what you did not lay down and reap what you did not sow.'
- 22 "He \*said to him, 'By your own words I will judge you, you worthless slave. Did you know that I am an exacting man, taking up what I did not lay down and reaping what I did not sow?
- 23 'Then why did you not put my money in the bank, and having come, I would have collected it with interest?'
- 24 "Then he said to the bystanders, 'Take the mina away from him and give it to the one who has the ten minas.'
- 25 "And they said to him, 'Master, he has ten minas already.'
- 26 "I tell you that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.
- 27 "But these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slay them in my presence."

### **I. THE CONTEXT**

- A. Blind Man Who Was Healed And Followed Jesus
- B. Zaccheus Who Repented And Followed Jesus
- C. They Were Nearing Jerusalem With False Expectations *Luke 18:31-34*

### **II. THE FAMILIAR BACKGROUND FOR THE PARABLE**

- A. Herod Had Gone To Rome
- B. His Son, Archelaus, Had Also Gone To Rome

### **C. Unwanted Ruler**

### **III. THE PARABLE**

- A. Jesus Is The Noble Ruler *Mark 12:36; Philippians 2:9, 10*
- B. Ten Servants Given Ten Minas
  1. Mina = 4 months wages
  2. Talent = 60 minas - a different parable

### **IV. JESUS THE KING**

- A. At His Birth *Matthew 2:1, 2*
- B. His Entry To Jerusalem
- C. One The Cross *Matthew 27:37*
- D. During His Ministry *Luke 11:30; 17:21*

### **V. THE KING WILL RETURN**

- A. He Will Return With Expectations
  1. Based on what was received *John 1:12; Luke 2:11*
- B. Some Will Reject The Gospel We Offer *John 19:15*
- C. We Should Not Be Deterred In Our Responsibility
  1. The gospel has the power *Romans 1:16*
  2. We must be faithful *1 Corinthians 15:58*