TEN talents - good worker

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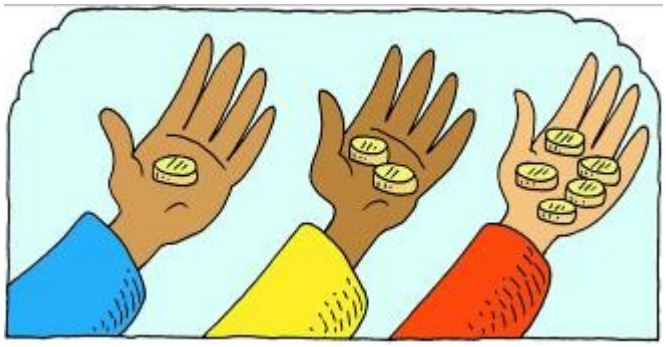
Jesus told a story called
the parable of the Ten talents.
It is about using the gifts
and resources we have wisely for God.

A boss who gave his workers some money
to use for him while he was away.
“Take this money to make
more money for me,” he said.



One man got one gold coin,
another man, two gold coins
and the best worker got five gold coins.
“Use these well until I get back,” said the boss.

The best, worker, with five coins,
bought and sold things with the money
and made five more coins for his boss.
The man with two coins also used them well.

But the lazy man, with one gold coin,
dug a hole and buried it in the garden
where it was no use to anyone and said,
“ I will leave it here until my boss comes back.”

Their boss came back to see
what they had done with his money.
The man with five coins had made five more!
The man with two coins had made two more!

“Well done,” said the boss. “You are good workers.
Now you can be the boss of others.”
The lazy man said, “I hid the gold coin because
it isn’t fair if you get money I work for.”

“Even in the bank my money would grow,”
said the boss. “Go away. You are a lazy man.”
I want to do my best with what God has given to me.
I want to hear Jesus to say, “Well done.”