

LIFE OF CHRIST
from the gospel of
Luke

Lesson 44

The King's Servants

Luke 19:11-27

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Younger Verse

"In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see." Matthew 5:16

Older Verse

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Bible Story

heavenly Father.

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*Please note: This portion of the lesson is given to help in teaching the lesson. Please read through the story and read it in the Bible. Do **NOT** read from this piece of paper. Instead, make a note sheet and place it next to the story in the Bible.*

Some people thought that Jesus was going to set up an earthly kingdom, where He would be the king. But that was not God's plan. Jesus came to die on the cross so that we can be forgiven of our sins. It was not the right time for Him to be an earthly king. Jesus wanted to explain this to the people, so He told a story.

In the story, there was a very important man who was going on a trip. He was going to be made a king, and then he would come back home. The man called ten of his servants and he gave an expensive coin, called a mina, to each one of them. One mina was worth three months' wages! The man instructed the servants to take care of the money until he returned.

While the man was gone, some people followed him. They did not want him to be a king because they did not like him. But the man was made king. And when he returned home, he called for the ten servants with whom he had entrusted the money. He wanted to know what they had done with the money.

The first servant came to the king and said that he had earned ten coins with the one he had been given. The king was very pleased with the servant and said, "Excellent! You are a good servant. Since I can trust you with small things, I will let you rule over ten of my cities."

The second servant came and told the king that he had earned five coins with the one. The king was also pleased with this servant and told him he could rule over five cities.

Then another servant came to the king and brought only one coin. He told the king that he had wrapped the coin in a cloth and hidden it. He said he was afraid of the king because he was a hard man. The king was angry with this servant. He asked the man if he knew he was a hard man, why didn't he put his money in the bank? Then at least it would have earned interest.

Then he took the coin away from the servant and gave it to the servant who had earned ten

Lesson Goals

Learn that God has work for us to do

Learn that it is important to do our best for God

Learn that we need to shine our light for Jesus

coins. The people nearby said, “But sir, that servant already has ten coins.”

But the king answered them by saying, “Those who have will be given more, but those who do not have anything will have everything taken away from them.”

If you have accepted Jesus into your life, you have a special gift, one that you cannot lose. God doesn’t want you to keep this gift to yourself. He wants you to share it with others. Then the news of God’s love will keep spreading, and God’s family will keep growing.

If you have not invited Jesus into your life, He wants to come in. He loves you so much that He came to earth to die in your place. We deserve to die because of the sins we have done. But God will forgive us of our sins and give us eternal life—having a right relationship with Him. Then we can know that we are His children and that we will be in Heaven with Him.

Like the king in the story, Jesus will come again one day, and this time, He will come as King. He will take those who believe in Him with Him to heaven.

Let’s share the Good News of God’s love with everyone!

Review Questions

1. When the king returned, how many coins had the first servant earned? (ten) And the second servant? (five)
2. What did the king tell the first two servants? (They were good servants; he put them in charge of ten and five cities)
3. How many coins did the next servant bring the king? (one)
4. What had the servant done with the coin? (He had wrapped it in cloth and hidden it.)
5. What can we learn from this story? (God wants us to share the Good News with others, not keep it to ourselves. And Jesus is coming back as King.)

Life Application

The rich man left and came back a king. It is the same with Jesus. He is up in heaven right now and he is going to return for His people. He will be our King. While He is away, it is important to obey what He has told us in the Bible. That is how we can be servants of God, our King.

One thing Jesus told us is to shine our light for all to see. This means that we need to let others know about the love of Jesus. When people don’t know Jesus, they are in spiritual darkness. We need to let our lights shine, not hide them. That is how we can do our best for Jesus. We can shine our light by singing songs of praise, sharing a Bible verse with someone, praying with and for others, inviting people to Bible study, etc. Think of other ways we can shine our light for Jesus!

Planning for Lesson 45
Jesus at the Temple
Luke 19:45-48; 21:5-9

Preschool Lesson for The King's Servants

Jesus told a story about a rich man who became a king. He wanted to help us understand that one day, He will come back and will be our King. Until then, we need to be His servants.

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**Hands-on Activities
for
The King's Servants**

Sing, “This Little Light of Mine.” Talk about how we can shine our light for Jesus by helping others.

Bring different activities to encourage the kids to use their abilities—paint, play dough, puzzles, books, songs to sing, etc.

Bring Chocolate Coins to eat as a snack!

God wants us to multiply what He has given us into more. For older kids, practice their multiplication facts. Discuss that God may give us two talents. If we use them well, He may give us two more. How many would we have then? (four)

Discuss ways the kids can work for Jesus—like helping with the chores at home, helping the teachers at school, helping knock on doors for Bible study, etc.

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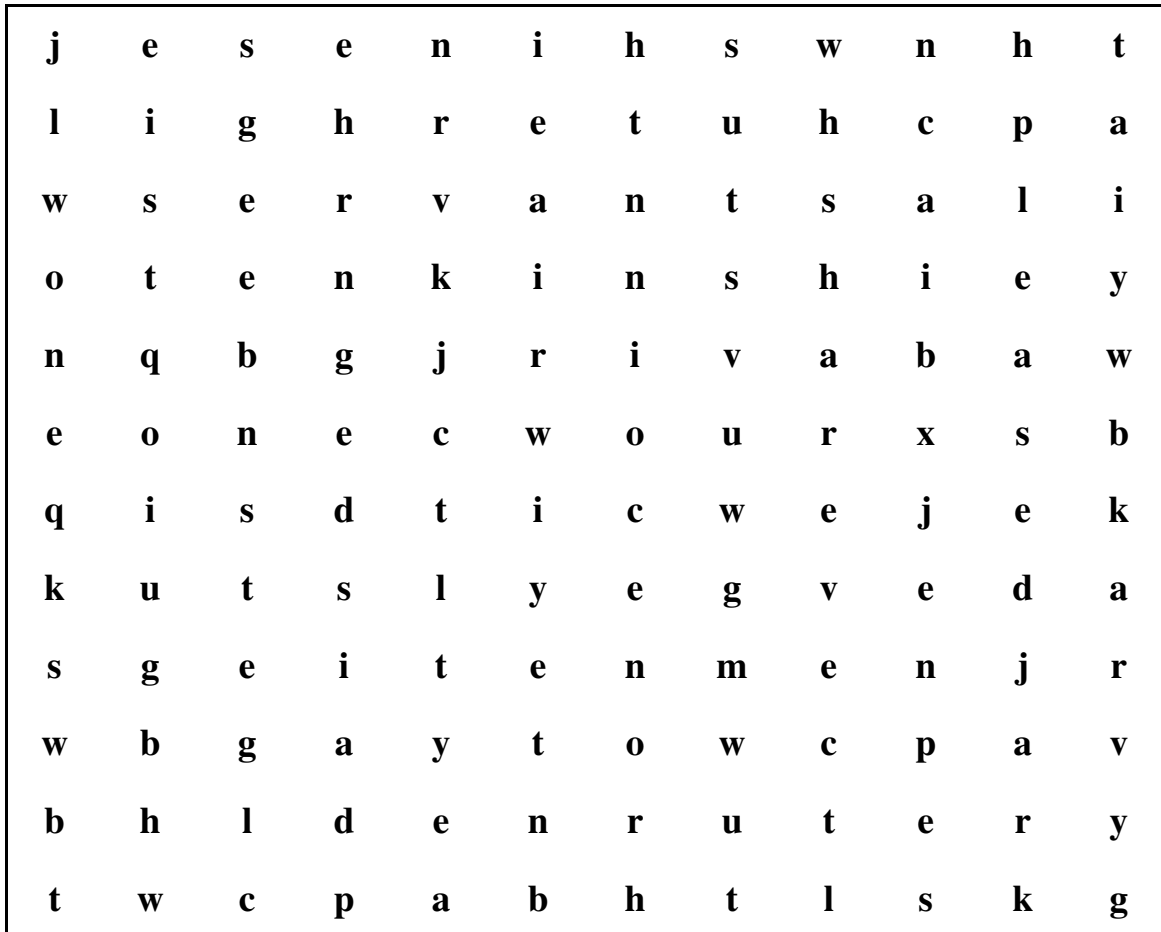
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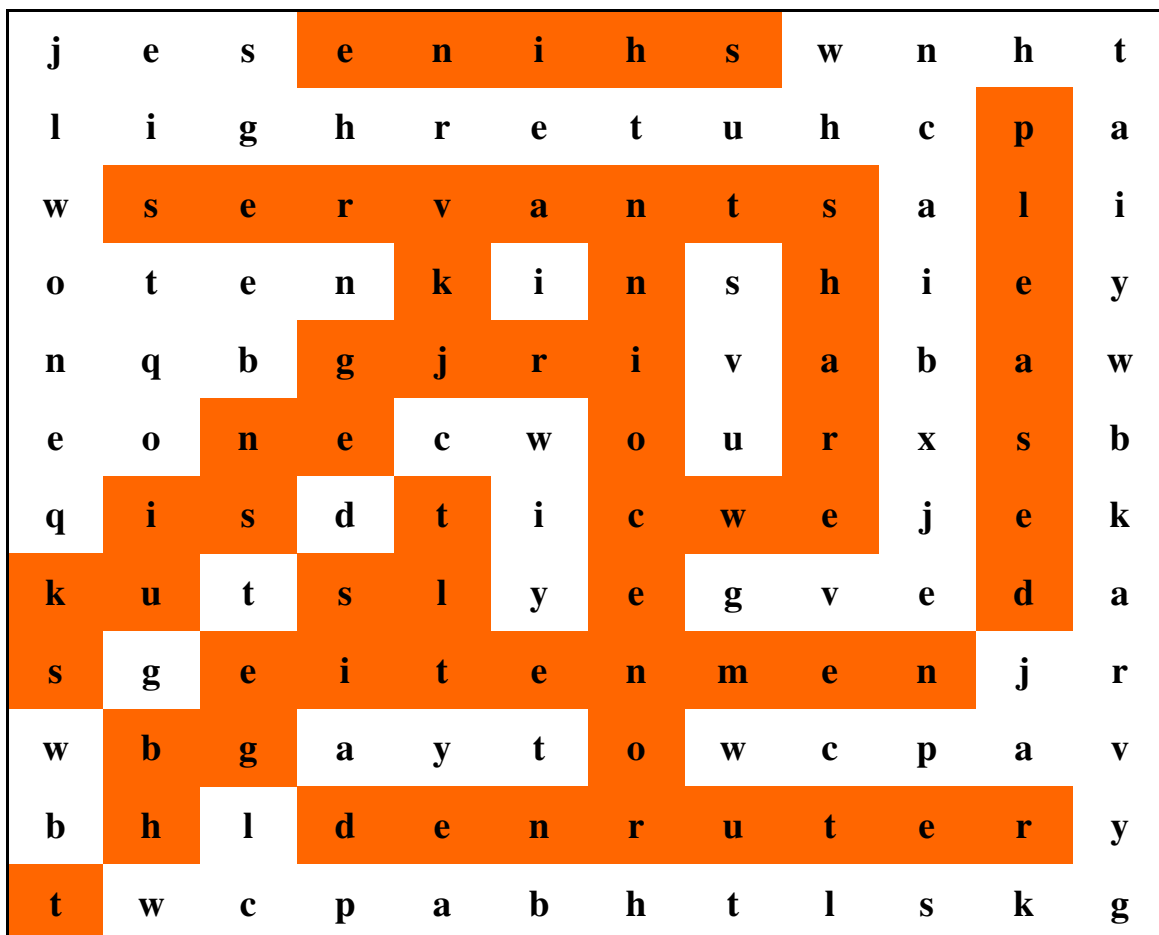
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We can be

SERVANTS

for Jesus by telling others about Him.