QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time in your life when you invested in

 something (your time, your money, your energy, etc.) Was it worth

 your investment? Why or why not?

2. In what things do people invest their time today? Do you think these

 are wise investments?

3. Read the following passages and note the Bible says about investing

 in the kingdom of God:

a) Matthew 6:2-4

b) Matthew 6:19-21

c) Matthew 10:42

d) Luke 12:33-34

e) Luke 16:9-13

f) Acts 20:35

g) I John 3:17

4. What was Jesus trying to teach the people by telling this parable?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to evaluate how I am using the time God has given me each day to see if I am wasting it instead of using it wisely.
* I am going to write down three specific ways I can invest in the kingdom of God with my money, time, talents, etc.
* I am going to memorize Matthew 6:21.

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Luke 19:11-27 Study Series #080

***The Parable of the Ten Minas***

**I. Introduction**

 A. The Stranded Fisherman

 B. The Reason for this Parable

 (See Luke 19:11; Luke 19:1-10; Luke 17:20; Acts 1:6-7)

“A continual looking forward to the eternal world is not (as some modern people think) a form of escapism or wishful thinking, but one of the things a Christian is meant to do. It does not mean that we are to leave the present world as it is. If you read history, you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next.”

 (C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*)

 C. The Background of this Parable

 (See Matthew 2:1-20; Matthew 14:1-11; Mark 6:14-28;

 Luke 3:1; Matthew 14:3; Mark 6:17; Luke 3:19;

 Matthew 2:22)

**II. The Parable of the Ten Minas**

 A. The Nobleman’s Requirement

 (See Luke 19:12-13; Ezekiel 45:12; Matthew 25:14-30;

 I Corinthians 12:4-6; I Thessalonians 2:4; I Timothy 1:11;

 I Timohty 6:20; Ephesians 5:15-17)

 B. The Nobleman’s Rejection

 (See Luke 19:14; John 15:25; John 19:15)

 C. The Nobleman’s Return

(See Luke 19:15-17; Proverbs 22:29; Luke 16:10;

 Luke 19:18-19; I Corinthians 4:2; Luke 19:20-21;

 Matthew 12:37)

 D. The Nobleman’s Rebuke

 (See Luke 19:22-26)

 E. The Nobleman’s Retribution

 (See Luke 19:27; Matthew 25:31-46; Revelation 19:11-21)

**III. Conclusion**

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service and he or one of our church leaders will be glad to speak with you.

**Passage of Study**

**Luke 19:11-27**

**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.”

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