

## A True King Luke 19:11-44

11 Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately. 12 Therefore He said: "A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. 13 So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, 'Do business till I come.' 14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We will not have this man to reign over us.' 15 And so it was that when he returned, having received the kingdom, he then commanded these servants, to whom he had given the money, to be called to him, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. 16 Then came the first, saying, 'Master, your mina has earned ten minas.' 17 And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant; because you were faithful in a very little, have authority over ten cities.' 18 And the second came, saying, 'Master, your mina has earned five minas.' 19 Likewise he said to him, 'You also be over five cities.' 20 Then another came, saying, 'Master, here is your mina, which I have kept put away in a handkerchief. 21 For I feared you, because you are an austere man. You collect what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.' 22 And he said to him, 'Out of your own mouth I will judge you, you wicked servant. You knew that I was an austere man, collecting what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow. 23 Why then did you not put my money in the bank, that at my coming I might have collected it with interest?' 24 And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to him who has ten minas.' 25 (But they said to him, 'Master, he has ten minas.') 26 For I say to you, that to everyone who has will be given; and from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. 27 But bring here those enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, and slay them before me.'" 28 When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 And it came to pass, when He came near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mountain called Olivet, that He sent two of His disciples, 30 saying, "Go into the village opposite you, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring it here. 31 And if anyone asks you, 'Why are you loosing it?' thus you shall say to him, 'Because the Lord has need of it.'" 32 So those who were sent went their way and found it just as He had said to them. 33 But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, "Why are you loosing the colt?" 34 And they said, "The Lord has need of him." 35 Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him. 36 And as He went, many spread their clothes on the road. 37 Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, 38 saying: "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD!" Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" 39 And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples." 40 But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out." 41 Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. 43 For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, 44 and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one

stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

I. A True King has Power - Authority

A. A king does not get elected or chosen by his subjects.

1. He is endowed with power by the supreme power.
2. In Jesus case that is God.

B. Ps 110:1-2 The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool." 2 The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies! NKJV

C. Psalm 2:1-12 (NKJV) 1 Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, 3 "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us." 4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The LORD shall hold them in derision. 5 Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure: 6 "Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion." 7 "I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me, 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You. 8 Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth for Your possession. 9 You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.' " 10 Now therefore, be wise, O kings; Be instructed, you judges of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD with fear, And rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish in the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

II. A True King Gives Out Responsibilities.

A. The king has subjects to whom he assigns certain tasks.

B. Here the minas are about a 1/4 of a years wages.

C. They did not own it but were to be the overseers of it.

D. Two results were favorable.

1. In each case faithfulness meant more responsibility.

E. One bad result

1. He said that he feared the king but he did not serve him.
2. It seems that he resents the authority of the king.
3. What he has will be taken away from him, much to the amazement of people.

III. A True King Requires Stewardship

- A. Notice that there is an accounting.
  - 1. 1 Corinthians 4:2 (NKJV) 2 Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.
  - 2. 1 Cor 6:18-20 18 Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. NKJV

#### IV. A True King Requires Submission

- A. Those who would not have the king to rule over them were destroyed.
- B. If Jesus allowed the wicked of this world to inherit heaven, it would soon be hell.
- C. Jesus is a real king and He will not allow rebellion.
  - 1. Phil 2:9-11 9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. NKJV

#### V. Our King is Compassionate

- A. Jesus wept over that sinful rebellious nation.
  - 1. But what He said did come true.
  - 2. In 70 AD it was all fulfilled.
- B. I wonder if Jesus still weeps over our nation today?
  - 1. It is true that Jesus is still waiting for us to repent, but will He wait for ever.
    - a. I have watched some of the History Channel's new series, The Bible.
    - b. I still think the book is better than the movie.
    - c. But there is one thing I saw that I think they got right.
    - d. When the Babylonians are breaking through the walls of Jerusalem as Jeremiah has been warning the people. The leaders come running to Jeremiah and saying lead us in a prayer or repentance.
    - e. If we repent, they say, then God will save us.
    - f. But Jeremiah responds that it is too late.

- g. There will be no deliverance. The people had sinned away the day of grace.
- 2. So it is today. We are sinning away the day of grace. It boldness and arrogance.
- 3. Isa 3:9 9 The look on their countenance witnesses against them, And they declare their sin as Sodom; They do not hide it. Woe to their soul! For they have brought evil upon themselves. NKJV

VI. Our King is Sovereign

- A. Unlike earthly kings there will be no overthrow.
- B. Our King is King by right of creation.
- C. Our King is King by right of divinity.
- D. Daniel 4:34-35 (NKJV) 34 And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me; and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever: For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, And His kingdom is from generation to generation. 35 All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven And among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand Or say to Him, "What have You done?"

What is your relationship with the King of Kings?

How will you give account to Him someday?

And if you are like the one group that said we will not have this man to rule over us, remember. You have only a small amount of time to repent.