

THE PARABLES OF JESUS

SERVICE AND REWARDS:

Lesson 16.

OBJECTIVE: To stress the fact that judgment is coming; and that judgment of us will relate to what we have done [or, failed to do] in this life!

PARABLES: *The Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard:*

Matthew 10:27-20:16

The Parable of the Sheep and the Goats:

Matthew 25:31-46

I. THE SETTINGS:

A. To whom was Jesus speaking in the first parable?

B. To whom did He speak in the second?

C. What had happened just prior to the first parable?

D. What had He been discussing prior to the second?

II. THE CENTRAL TEACHINGS:

A. What is the point of the first parable?

B. The second?

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III. UNDERSTANDING THE PARABLES:

A. Was the householder unfair in paying the same wage for different amounts of work? _____ Please explain answer: _____

B. Why did those who were hired first suppose they should receive more than the others?

C. Jesus taught in another passage that when we have done all we have been commanded, we still ought to say, "We are unprofitable servants". Where is that passage? _____ What does it mean?

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D. Who is going to be called for an accounting before the Son of man in judgment?

E. How long had God been preparing for the kingdom of heaven? _____

F. How may we show concern and piety, along with love and physical benevolence to the Lord today?

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G. How long will heaven last?

H. How long will hell last?

Additional Notes: