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# An Encounter with Truth

The Parable of the Ten Minas  
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Why did Jesus speak this parable of the ten minas?

- 1• The parable will be somewhat related to what happened with Zaccheus.
- 2• Because He was near Jerusalem
- 3• They supposed that the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately.

A Prediction or a Parable?

## KING

“And he called ten of his slaves, and gave them ten minas, and said to them, ‘Do business with this until I come back.’ (Luke 19:13).



Slaves

Citizens

“But his citizens hated him, and sent a delegation after him, saying, ‘We do not want this man to reign over us.’ (Luke 19:14).

### What is a slave?

A slave belongs to the king in a different way than his regular subjects. The slave belongs to the king and does what he wishes. He has no life separate from the king's wishes.

Kingdom

### What is a citizen?

A citizen is responsible as a participant in the king's jurisdiction. Although his life is affected by the king's rule, his life is separate from the king's life.



Upon the king's return.

### What happened to his slaves upon his return?

The king required each of the ten servants to individually give an account of what they did with the one mina that he gave to them. Three different accounts are given.

A mina is roughly equivalent to 100 days' wages. At \$10/hour wages, this would be about 3 months or \$8,000.

### What happened to his citizens upon his return?

The king has not very concerned about the citizens unless they rebelled against his rule. In this case, this is exactly what they did, and so the king's response was very severe, “*But these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slay them in my presence.*” (Luke 19:27).

The nobleman went to receive his kingdom. His royalty was to be accepted by faith by those present in his rule. Those that took their lord seriously would be greatly rewarded, but those who didn't would be shamed.

Master greatly pleased.

Master fairly pleased.

Master greatly displeased

*What is it that Jesus has given to us and expects of us?*