ARE YOU A GOOD AND FAITHFUL SLAVE?
A KINGDOM PARABLE WHICH UNVEILS MAKE-BELIEVERS,
(i.e. The wicked and faithless on their way to judgment)
Matthew 25:14-30

I. THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THOSE IN THE KINGDOM AWAITING HIS RETURN:
Jesus through a parable illustrates the responsibility entrusted to each who name His Name as Lord. (14-15)

II. THE RESPONSE OF THOSE ENTRUSTED: Two are faithful and one is lazy (16-18)

III. THE RECKONING AND REWARD WE ALL FACE: The Master unveils the true nature and thus eternal destiny of his slaves (19-30)

A. The Master’s evaluation for those who are good and faithful (19-23)
1. The account given by the first two slaves reveals their true nature (19-20, 22)

2. The Master’s joyous response (21-23)
   a. An affirmation of their nature and character: Good and faithful (21a, 23a)
   b. Multiplied kingdom reward and responsibility (21b 23b)
   c. Entering the Master’s eternal joy (21b 23b)

B. The Master’s evaluation and eternal punishment for those who are wicked and lazy: An declaration of their true nature, loss of everything and punishment in hell (24-30)
1. The account given by the wicked and lazy slave reveals his true nature. Giving excuses, he reveals had a wrong and evil view of his Master (24-25)

2. The Master’s eternally sobering response (26-30)
   a. An affirmation of his nature and character: He is a wicked and lazy slave (26-27)
   b. His stewardship fully removed and given to the faithful (28-29)
   c. The wicked slave is cast into hell (30)