



SEEKING FRUIT

Luke 13:6–9 (NKJV) ⁶ He also spoke this parable: “A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came **seeking fruit on it and found none.** ⁷ Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, ‘Look, for three years I have come **seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none.**’”

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Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?’ ⁸ But he answered and said to him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, **until I dig around it and fertilize it.** ⁹ And if it bears fruit, well. But if not, **after that you can cut it down.**’”

THE KING

Matthew 25:14–30 (NKJV) ¹⁴ “For the kingdom of heaven **is like** a man traveling to a far country, who called **his own servants** and delivered **his goods** to them.

NO EXCUSES

¹⁵ And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, **to each according to his own ability;** and immediately he went on a journey. ¹⁶ Then he who had received the five talents went and **traded** with them, and made another five talents. ¹⁷ And likewise he who had received two gained two more also.

NO EXCUSES

¹⁸ But he who had received one went and **dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money.** ¹⁹ After a long time the lord of those servants came and **settled accounts** with them.

NO EXCUSES

- Leadership gift
- Musical talent
- Parenting skills
- Financial means
- Time to serve

NO FEAR

You will overestimate what you can do in the short term, but you will almost always underestimate what you can achieve through a lifetime of faithfulness.

NO FEAR

²⁴ "Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵ And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.'

NO FEAR

²⁶ "But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed... ³⁰ And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

FEAR OF FAILURE

****Multiplication is the result of faithfulness, not fear.**
****Don't fear failure, rather fear doing nothing with what has been entrusted to you.**

THANKSGIVING

The pessimist sees the cup as half empty. The optimist sees the cup as half full, but the child of God sees, "my cup runs over!!"

MULTIPLY

²⁰ "So he who had received five talents, came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' ²¹ His lord said to him, '**Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.**'

MULTIPLY

²² He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' ²³ His lord said to him, '**Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.**'

MULTIPLY

"Well done, my good and faithful" – ~~Pastor, Bishop, Evangelist, Apostle, Preacher, Missionary, Teacher, Singer, Worship leader...~~ no, "servant".

MULTIPLY
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