

Lies About Money Sermon Takehome

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Matthew 25:14-30

1. Share about an event you extensively prepared for. How did it turn out?

Read Matthew chapter 25, reread verses 14-30.

2. Why did Jesus share this series of parables?

3. Read the following passages. What are some things that we learn about the return of Jesus?

- Acts 1:11
- 1 Thess 4:16
- 1 Cor. 15:52
- 2 Peter 3:10

4. What are some things we spend lots of time preparing for that really aren't that significant?

5. What are some ways in which life is preparation for eternity?

6. How does the way we handle money affect our readiness?

7. Why is money a sensitive subject to talk about at church? Why do people believe the church is after their money?

8. Why do you believe Jesus talked so often about money?

9. How does this passage teach us that our money is not really ours? Why is this such a difficult notion for us to comprehend?

10. How are we to put our money to work? What does the Bible say about giving to the poor? (Find examples).

Read Malachi 3:7-10

11. How does this verse parallel with the Matthew passage?

12. What stands out to you about the Malachi passage?

13. Many commentators would say the "storehouse" then is equivalent to the local

church now? What do you think?

14. Have these passages changed the way you think about giving?
15. How are you using your money now to prepare for eternity?
16. What would you like to do differently?