

Which one might be hiding
the talents *God has given?*



Bob cuts firewood for the fire.
He's a strong boy who is good
with tools.

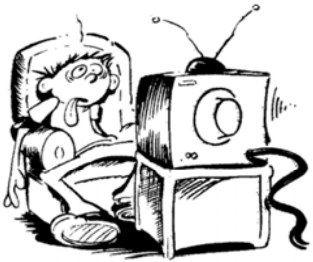


Joe is good at
basketball.

He practises
every day.



Mitch is a good reader.
He borrows books from
the library.



Brett can't think of anything to do but
watch T.V. He knows all the shows.



Sarah is charming with old folk.
She pushes grandma in her
wheelchair.

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Matthew 25:21

Jesus said: Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come and share my joy.

Dear God, thank you for all the things you have made me able to do. Help me to do all that I can to do my best and improve in all the things that I am good at doing. **Amen.**



STAINED GLASS WINDOW AT CHARTRES

THE ARTISTS WHO DESIGNED AND MADE THESE STAINED GLASS WINDOWS UPLIFTS MANY HEARTS TO WORSHIP.



C.S. LEWIS WROTE ABOUT THE FAITH IN HIS WONDERFUL CHILDREN'S BOOKS.



WILLIAM WILBERFORCE



AS A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT WILLIAM USED HIS POWERS OF SPEAKING AND WRITING TO GET THE LAWS AGAINST THE SLAVE TRADE CHANGED.

LORD, YOU HAVE BEEN OUR DWELLING-PLACE THROUGHOUT ALL GENERATIONS. BEFORE THE MOUNTAINS WERE BORN OR YOU BROUGHT FORTH THE EARTH AND THE WORLD, FROM EVERLASTING TO EVERLASTING YOU ARE GOD.
(- FROM PSALM 90 -)

GIFTS AND TALENTS

I DON'T THINK I'VE GOT MANY OF THOSE.

We've all been given gifts. Having a gift doesn't mean you've got to be better than anyone else! And there are gifts you might not have realised are gifts.

LIKE WHAT?

Like making people feel comfortable and relaxed; like not giving up easily; like cheering someone up, or listening well.

HOW CAN WE USE THEM BEST?

Keep praying, and keep available. Then God can use those gifts of yours where and when they're most needed.



Crossword: Matthew 25:14-30 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.

Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.

10 across) As soon as the man had _____, the servant

25 across) with the five thousand _____ used them

23 across) to _____ five thousand more. The servant

20 down) who had _____ thousand coins did the same

9 down) with his _____ and earned two thousand

21 down) more. But the servant with _____ thousand

22 down) coins dug a _____ and hid his master's

5 down) money in the _____.

6 across) Some time _____ the master of those

15 down) servants _____. He called them in and

24 across) asked what they had _____ with his money.

17 across) The servant _____ had been given five

11 across) thousand coins _____ them in with the

27 across) five thousand that he had earned. He _____

26 down) Sir, you _____ me five thousand coins

1 down) and I have earned five thousand _____.

18 across) _____! his master replied. "You are a

5 across) _____ and faithful servant. I left you in

13 across) charge of only a _____, but now I will

3 down) put you in _____ of much more. Come and

4 across) _____ in my happiness!"

19 across) _____, the servant who had been given two

8 across) thousand coins came in and said, "_____, you

28 across) _____ me two thousand coins, and I have

16 across) _____ two thousand more."

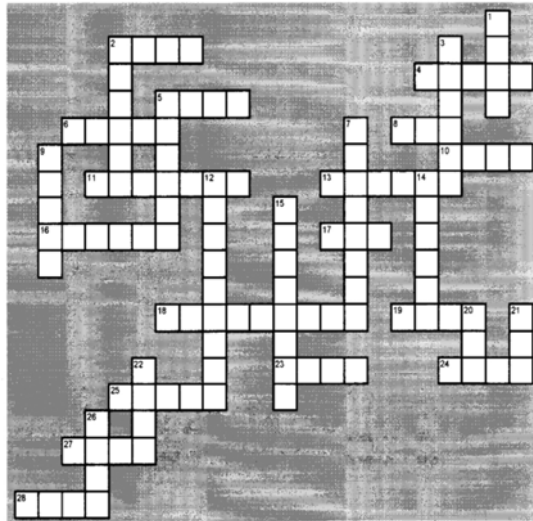
2 down) Wonderful! his _____ replied. "You are

7 down) a good and _____ servant. I left you in

14 down) charge of only a _____, but now I will put

2 across) you in charge of much _____. Come and share

12 down) in my _____!"

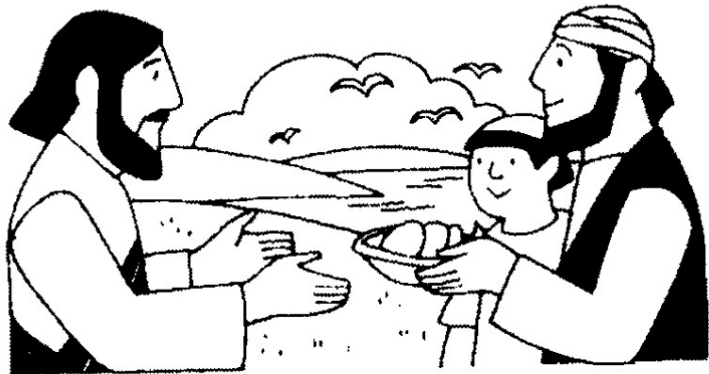


Jesus said, "The kingdom is also like what happened when a man went away and put his three servants in charge of all he owned." -- Mathew 25:14 (CEV)

What should you do with the talents that God has given you?



Don't bury them in the ground!



Use them to honor God and to follow Christ's teaching!.

Word Search: Matthew 25:14-30 (CEV)



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| GONE | COINS | EARN | TWO |
| MONEY | ONE | HOLD | GROUND |
| LATER | RETURNED | DONE | WHO |
| BROUGHT | SAID | GAVE | MORE |
| WONDERFUL | GOOD | LITTLE | CHARGE |
| SHARE | NEXT | SIR | GAVE |
| EARNED | MASTER | FAITHFUL | LITTLE |
| MORE | HAPPINESS | | |