**Everyday Stories of Jesus – Lk. 19:26**

Lord Jesus has been is at the house of Zaccheus the tax collector who believed in Him

Zaccheus promises to give away 50% of his money to poor & repay 4 times what he has stolen from others

**Zaccheus practices having more & giving more & receiving more in return**

Jesus tells the people at Zaccheus house this story – reminding them of His mission

Lk. 19:10 – 11 - ***the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost****. While they were listening to these things, Jesus went on to tell a parable, because He was near Jerusalem, and they supposed the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately*

**Jesus teaches truths for the rich**

Rich Farmer – unrighteous manager – Rich man in hell – Rich young ruler - Rich Zaccheus

**Focal Truth: Believers will be rewarded for doing the business of the Lord**

**Observations**

1. **Believers must do the Lord’s business until He returns 19:12 -13**

*A nobleman went to a distant country to receive a kingdom for himself, and then return.*

*He called ten of his slaves, and gave them ten minas & said,* ***do business with this until I come back***

1. **Do business = pragmatikos = do deeds**
2. Believers must do the Lord’s business until He comes!
3. Believer’s must **seek the lost & bringing them to Jesus** until He comes!
4. Believer’s must **make disciples** until He comes!
5. Believer’s must **give their money to heavenly causes for eternal good** until He comes!

Matt. 28: 19 – 20 – *Go, therefore and make disciples of the nations…*

Seek more! Teach more! Do more!

***This is the believer’s business doing the Lord business until He comes***

*Hymn: We’ll work till Jesus comes, We’ll work till Jesus comes, We’ll work till Jesus comes and we’ll be gathered home!*

1. **Believers who do the Lord’s business will be rewarded when He returns 19:15 -26**

*When he returned after receiving his kingdom, he ordered that these slaves, to who he had given the money be called to him so that he might know* ***what business they had done*** 19:15

*Then he said to the bystanders, take the mina away from him and* ***give it to the one who has the ten minas. And they said to him, Master, he has ten minas already*** *19:24 -25*

***I tell you, that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away*** 19:26

1. Believers will give an account to the Lord Jesus for how they lived their life on earth

Rom. 14:12 – *so then each one of us will give an account of himself to God*

1. Believer’s will be rewarded by Christ for doing the Lord’s business on earth

Lk 19:16 – 17 – *the first appeared saying, Master, your mina has made ten minas more.* ***He said, well done, good slave, because you have been faithful in a very little you are to be in authority over ten cities***

2 Cor. 5:10 – *for we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done good or bad*

1. **Unbelievers who refuse Christ’s Lordship will be judged when He returns 19:14,27**

*But the citizen’s hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, we do not want this man to reign over us*

*But these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slay them in my presence*

1. When the Lord returns the **awful, dreadful judgment of God will come on unbelieving sinners – “**­**we do not what this man to reign over us”**

**Unbelieving sinners will eternally perish** – “**slay them in my presence”**

2 Thess. 1: 7 – 9 – *when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.* ***These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power***

1. When the Lord returns - those who refuse to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ will be judged & destroyed

Lk. 13:25 -28 – *once the head of the house gets up an shuts the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock on the door, saying Lord, open up to us! Then He will answer you,* ***I do not know where you are from…I do not know where you are from, Depart from me all you evildoers. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the Kingdom of God, but yourselves being thrown out***

Lk. 16: 23 – ***in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torment….***

Rev. 20: 15 – ***if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire***

1. The dreadful & glorious return of the Lord will bring the great judgment of God on the lost dead & living unbelieving sinners on the earth

Rev. 19:11 – 20 – *I saw heaven opened and behold a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war…He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God…from his mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it he may strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty…then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds which fly in midheaven, Come assemble for the great supper of God, so that you may eat the flesh of kings and commanders and the flesh of might men and the flesh of horses and those who sit on them and the flesh of all men, both free and slaves, and small and great. And I say the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.*

**Things to Remember & Do**

1. **Only one life t’will soon be past only what’s done for Christ will last**
2. **Do the Lord’s business not your business!**
3. **Faithfulness in the Lord’s business produces more spiritual good on earth & heaven**
4. **When the Lord returns - He will judge & destroy those who do not believe in Him**

*I tell you, that to everyone who has, more shall be given, but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away* 19:26

**To the praise of the glory of His grace! The Lord is near to the door! Come Lord Jesus!**