- I. The Reasons For the Parable (11)
 - A. He was near Jerusalem
 - B. People supposed the Kingdom was Immediate
- II. A Nobleman Appoints Servants Among His Enemies (12-14)
 - A. The Nobleman Entrusted his servants with a task (12-13)
 - 1. A nobleman went to claim a Kingdom (12)
 - a. Went into a far country
 - b. Went to receive a Kingdom
 - c. He would return
 - 2. A nobleman entrusted his servants with business (13)
 - a. Gave ten servants, ten minas
 - b. Gave them the command to engage in business
 - B. The Nobleman's Citizens refused his Kingship (14)
 - 1. His citizens hated him
 - 2. His citizens sent a delegation to deny his reign
- III. The Nobleman Returned and Examined his servant's work (15)
 - A. He returned having received the kingdom
 - B. He ordered the servants to give account
- IV. Faithful and Unfaithful Servants (16-25)
 - A. The first and second servant were faithful and rewarded (16-19)
 - 1. The first servant faithfully served
 - a. Servant put his money to work
 - b. Notice the gift did the work (gospel)
 - 2. The first servant is rewarded with greater service (17)
 - a. Servant is commended (gospel did work)
 - b. Faithful is small things
 - c. Given greater responsibility (authority over 10 cities).
 - d. (Heaven = greater service, responsibility, worship)
 - 3. The second servant faithfully served (18)
 - a. 5 minas made five more
 - i. smaller responsibility, same faithfulness
 - b. Rewarded with greater responsibility
 - B. The third servant is wicked and punished (20-25)
 - 1. The third servant his master's gift (20)
 - a. He kept it hidden and safe
 - b. He did not allow it to work
 - 2. The third servant blames the master (21)
 - a. Servant claims to be afraid of master
 - b. Servant says master is severe
 - c. Servant claims master takes what is not his
 - 3. The third servant is condemned by his own words (22-23)
 - a. If his words are true, servant should have worked
 - 4. The third servant is stripped of what he has (24-25)
 - a. The master removes what the servant has

- b. The master gives his mina to the one who has ten
- V. Fruitful Servants are Rewarded, All else are Punished (26-27)
 - A. Those who produce are rewarded (26)
 - B. Those who don't produce are punished
 - 1. The gospel produces, we live it
 - C. Those who Deny Lordship receive death (27)