

- Fellowship Baptist Church, December 7, 2014—PM
- Message: “Occupy till I Come”-- Luke 19:11-27
  
- INTRODUCTION: This parable was given to the Jews and the disciples because they were expecting Christ to set up the kingdom. As we saw this morning “The Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost”—v.10. We are to be looking for the return of our Lord and keep living for Him until He returns—v.13. The word occupy means to busy yourself. We are to be busy till Jesus comes. Every parable has a central theme. In interpreting a parable you must find the central theme and then use only the details that apply to that theme. The occasion of this parable: they were expecting the kingdom to be set up. The theme of this parable: keep busy till Jesus comes.
  
- The parable:
  - The nobleman: Jesus.—v. 12
    - Jesus came to earth to seek and to save.
    - Jesus was going to leave and return to heaven.
    - Jesus will return when the kingdom is ready.
  - The servants: the Jews and all the people of God.—v. 13
    - Each servant received a pound.
      - Pound an amount of money.
      - The amount of time each has until Jesus comes.
    - Each was to use what he was given.—“Occupy”.
    - The Jews rejected the savior.—v, 14
    - (John 1:11, 12; Rom 10; II Cor. 3)
    - The gospel sent to the world.
    - The invitation is to all.
  - The day of accountability—v. 15-27 (II Cor. 5:10).
    - Each judged according to faithfulness.
      - (One gained 10 and one gained 5).
      - One fail to use what he was given.—v. 20.(I Cor. 3:11-15).
      - In judgment there will be rewards and losses.
      - All of God’s people will be saved.
    - All who reject Christ will be cast in to Hell.—v. 27
  
- Lessons to be learned.
  - Jesus will return.”
  - We are to remain faithful until He returns.—Gal. 5:9, 10
  - We will be rewarded for our service.—I Cor 15:58