

I. Be a Faithful and Wise Servants Not Wicked

- A. "Faithful" = pistos = <u>faith</u> + <u>action</u>
- B. "Wise" = phronimos = thoughtful + respectful
- C. Not "Wicked" = kakos = evil minded + rebellious
- D. Servants = doulos = <u>slave/stewards</u>
 - 1. Given <u>responsibilities</u> to manage the <u>master's</u> resources
 - 2. We are all responsible for a <u>"household"</u>

II. Be Found Serving the Master Not Self-Serving

- A. <u>"Blessed"</u> when the master returns finds him <u>"so doing"</u>
- B. <u>Faithful & Wise servant:</u>
 - 1. Keeps expecting the master to return and
 - 2. Keeps doing what he is called to do
 - 3. His <u>character</u> is revealed over time.
- C. <u>Positive result:</u> The master will give him much <u>more responsibility</u> in the future kingdom
- D. The evil servant:
 - 1. Decides "in his heart" (kardia) that the master is "delayed" not coming back
 - 2. Exerts control over the other servants act like he owns them
 - 3. Eats and drinks with other drunkards
 - 4. His character is revealed over time.
- E. **Negative result:** The master will return when he doesn't expect him
 - 1. <u>Torn</u> to pieces
 - 2. Placed with the hypocrites "weeping and gnashing of teeth"