

Evening Lesson

A GOLDEN HEADACHE

TEXT: Matt. 25:14-30 (reading 24-30)

1. A talent was up to 75 pounds of gold.
 - a. As of Wednesday the 27th, gold was selling for a low of 2053.25 to a high of 2091.40 per ounce. We'll keep it simple and go with \$2000. Wednesday that one talent would have sold for over \$2.4 million.
2. More than this man had ever had.
3. Others invested.
4. One talent man was too scared to chance losing so much money.
5. He buried it in his back yard.
6. The whole time he was worried about that gold in his yard.
7. Finally when the master came back he gave back what he had been given without having lost an ounce.
8. Do you think he was surprised by the master's response?
9. Why did the master condemn this servant who had so painstakingly taken care of the treasure?
10. We have been given a treasure. **2 Cor. 4:6-7**
11. When our master comes back will he be content to have returned to him only what he gave us?
12. In addition to the punishment when the master returned, did you notice how miserable the man was while the gold was in his back yard?
13. What will we do differently with our treasure this next year?