"Judgment Day" (3)

"So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil." (2 Corinthians 5:9-10)

What we will be judged for:

Our Words - 12/4/11

Return on Investment

<u>Luke 19:11-27</u> – (11) "As they heard these things, he proceeded to tell a parable, because he was near to Jerusalem, and because they supposed that the kingdom of God was to appear immediately. (12) He said therefore, 'A nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and then return.

- (13) Calling ten of his servants, he gave them ten minas, and said to them, 'Engage in business until I come.'
- (14) But his citizens hated him and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We do not want this man to reign over us.'
- (15) When he returned, having received the kingdom, he ordered these servants to whom he had given the money to be called to him, that he might know what they had gained by doing business. (16) The first came before him, saying, 'Lord, your mina has made ten minas more.' (17) And he said to him, 'Well done, good servant! Because you have been faithful in a very little, you shall have authority over ten cities.' (18) And the second came, saying, 'Lord, your mina has made five minas.' (19) And he said to him, 'And you are to be over five cities.' (20) Then another came, saying, 'Lord, here is your mina, which I kept laid away in a handkerchief; (21) for I was afraid of you, because you are a severe man. You take what you did not deposit, and reap what you did not sow.' (22) He said to him, 'I will condemn you with your own words, you wicked servant! You knew that I was a severe man, taking what I did not deposit and reaping what I did not sow? (23) Why then did you not put my money in the bank, and at my coming I might have collected it with interest?' (24) And he said to those who stood by, 'Take the mina from him, and give it to the one who has the ten minas.' (25) And they said to him, 'Lord, he has ten minas!' (26) 'I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.
- (27) But as for these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slaughter them before me.'"

Key Point: My ROI will be Considered on Judgment Day

Reprioritize

<u>2 Corinthians 5:14-15</u> – (14) "For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; (15) and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised."

Relish Recompense

<u>Psalm 116:12-14</u> – (12) "<u>What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me</u>? (13) I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD, (14) I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people."

Release Resources

John 6:5-11 – (5) "Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?' (6) He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. (7) Philip answered him, 'Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' (8) One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, (9) 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?' (10) Jesus said, 'Have the people sit down.' Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. (11) Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted."

Questions:

What impacted me the most in this message? Is it in my heart to recompense the Lord? Do I realize that God has given me abilities to be used to profit His Kingdom? (1 Cor. 12:4-7; 1 Peter 4:10-11)