

WHAT WAS I THINKING?

Matthew 25:14-18

INTRO:

- A. We've all had those "what was I thinking" moments.
- B. Will you have one at the judgment?

I. THE PARABLE

- A. Ability = responsibility. Matthew 25:14-15
- B. The choices. Matthew 25:16-18
- C. An accounting. Matthew 25:19; Romans 14:12
- D. Well done! Matthew 25:20-23
- E. Excuses/consequences. Matthew 25:24-20

II. STEWARDS/SERVANTS

- A. Stewards of God. I Peter 4:9-11
- B. Faithful in doing. Luke 12:42-44
 - 1. Or careless/negligent. Luke 12:45-46
- C. Faith even in little things. Luke 16:10-13
- D. Until death. Revelation 2:10

III. CHOICES WITH CONSEQUENCES

- A. Serve God or not. Joshua 24:14-15
- B. Narrow or wide way. Matthew 7:13-14
- C. Build on rock or sand. Matthew 7:24-27
- D. Slavery or freedom. Romans 6:15-18

CONCLUSION:

- A. Many of our "what was I thinking" moments are not very significant. But some are far reaching in nature.
- B. At some point you must choose whether to serve God or go your own way.
- C. Many claim to choose God, but want to do it their way.
- D. When you stand before judgment, will you be saying, "What was I thinking?" or will it be with joy.
- E. Right now is the time to make your calling and election sure.