

**“Making Room: Time and Talents”**  
**Small Group Bible Study**  
**September 23, 2007**

**Read:** Matthew 25:14-30

**Reflect:** How have you seen this principle, “if you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in bigger things,” put into action in your life?

**Dig:** After carefully reading the text, answer the following questions: What is the main point of this parable? Who played it safe and who risked? What does God do with the ones who play it safe? How do we fit this teaching into the doctrine of the basis of our salvation (by grace alone)? Look up James 2:14-19. How might this story fit in with the next one (Matthew 25:31-46) and help you understand what a “talent” is?

**Apply:** Considering our relative (compared to the rest of the world) wealth, education, and other opportunities, what commitment should you make to God today since he said “From everyone who had been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked”? (Luke 12:48)