

"What's Mine is His"

Matthew 25:14-30 (page 708)

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God's Money

"What I think I own is really a loan"





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- Actually believe my stuff is "my stuff"



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- > 6 have 50% of the wealth and they all live in USA.
- > Average person in the world lives on less than \$2 a day.
- Earn 45k a year you are in the top 90% wage earners in the world.
- ➢ If you're on welfare in the US you live better than 95% of those living in India, Mexico, and East Africa.

3. One day we'll give an <u>account</u> of how we <u>managed</u> God's <u>possessions</u>

(Matthew 25:19-24)



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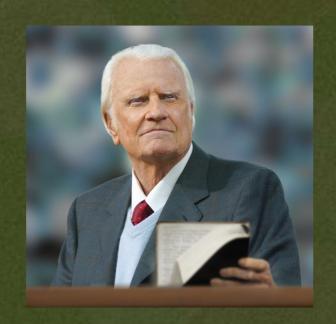
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- > Did you invest intelligently?



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Billy Graham

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Celebration - Get to party with God





