

How have I responded to God's generosity?

- You have given me the gift of public speaking, and I have proclaimed Your Word to hundreds at Mass.
- You have given me the gift of teaching, and I have served as a catechist in the Faith Formation program.
- You have given me the gift of knowledge and wisdom, and I have



tutored in the literacy program in our community.

- You have given me the gift of time, and I have used that to pray daily for the needs of our parishioners.
- You have given me the gift of craftsmanship, and I have helped build houses for the poor.

What can I say to God?

If not us?

.....Who?

If not now?

.....When?

If not for the Kingdom?

.....Why?

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"It will be as when a man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them..."

"To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one—to each according to his ability. Then he went away."

Matt 25:14-30

What are my talents?

Am I the person with five talents?
Or perhaps, I have two. Maybe I
have one talent.

What are my talents? Make a list of
the things that you think you do well.



Now list
those things
that others
say you do
well. What
are some jobs
that you have
successfully completed?

What is the best feature of your
personality? Where are you creative?
What energizes you?

Ask God to
show you your
talents. Spend
time reflecting
on them and
thanking God
for them.



What have I done with my talents?

“The one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the one who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master’s money.”

- How have you further developed your God-given gifts?
- How have you shared your gifts with others for the sake of the Kingdom of God?
- How have you given of your time, talent and treasure to the Church? Community? Family?
- How many lives have been touched by your gifts?



How will I answer God when He returns to meet me?

“After a long time the master of those servants came back to settle accounts with them. The one who received five talents came forward bringing the additional five”.....’Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities’....The one who received two said...’See I have made two more’.... Then the one who received one talent came forward and said, ’Master, I knew you were a demanding person...so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.’ His master said to him, ’You wicked, lazy servant!...Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

Use the talents that you have...If the only birds who sing in the forest are the ones who think they sing the best, then the forest would be a very quiet place.