

Parables of Jesus

Our Stay-at -Home series is about the Parables Jesus told. Jesus used the parables to explain to us concepts that may otherwise be difficult to understand. Over the next several weeks we will look at the earthly stories and explain and apply the heavenly meaning that goes with them.

I have included a short story video for this lesson. Please use the link below to access the video.

Link to the Story Video - The Talents- <https://youtu.be/VuQIO9e5Xsw>

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The Talents


Lesson Plan

Key Verses: **(Matthew 25:14-29)**


Objectives:

 2's&3's -

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- To learn the parable of The Talents

 4's&5's -


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 K & 1st -

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Application:

 2's&3's -


- I can use the talents God gave me.

 4's&5's -


- I can use the talents God gave me.

 K & 1st -

- I can use the talents God gave me to worship Him.
- I can use the talents God gave me to serve Him and others.

 2nd & 3rd -

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 4th & up -

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Activities:

 2's&3's - Talents Color page (page 7)

 4's&5's - Talents Color page (page 7)

Talents Story Review (page 8)


 K & 1st - Talents Story Review (page 8)

Fill Your Bag with Talents (page 9-10)

Talents Maze (page 11)

 2nd & 3rd - Fill Your Bag with Talents (page 12-13)

Talents Maze (page 11)

 4th & up - Fill Your Bag with Talents (page 12-13)

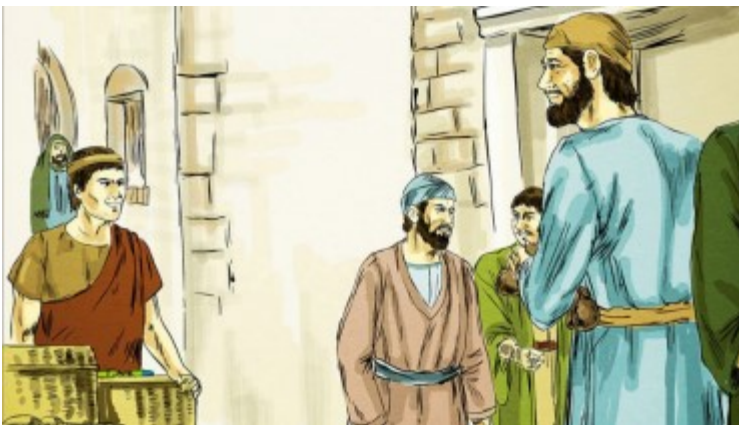
Talents Maze (page 11)

Parable - The Talents (Matt 25:14-29)

For the last several weeks we have been learning about Parables. A parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. In other words, it's a story that we can easily understand to help explain something more complicated that we may not easily understand. Over the last several weeks we have discussed many parables. We have learned how to be a light, a wise man who built his house on the rock, the rich fool taught us what our priorities should be, and we learned about being a sower and how to hear God's Word. Today's parable teaches us how God wants us to use our talents to serve Him and others.

Jesus told His Disciples this parable:

14 "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. 15 To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.



16 He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. 17 So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. 18 But he who had

received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money.



19 Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. 20 And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'



22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

24 He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, 25 so I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.' 26 But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should



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have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.

Just like the servants, God has given us talents or abilities. He wants us to use those talents to praise and serve Him, share His word with others and serve those around us. Many of the parables that we have learned about over the last several weeks teach us what are talents are and how we can use them. What are some of your talents and how can you use them to serve God and others?

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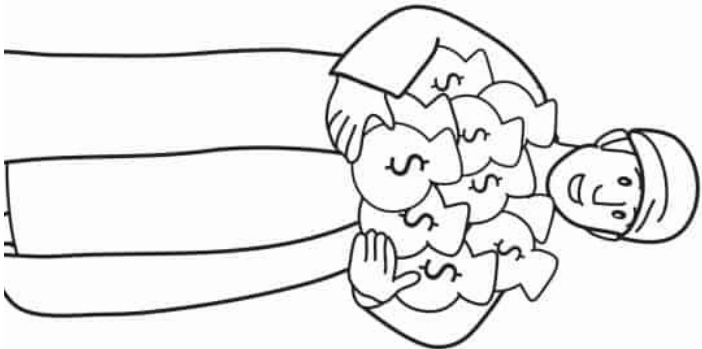
Jesus tells the parable of the talents.
Matthew 25:14-30; Luke 19:12-27



Parable of the Talents

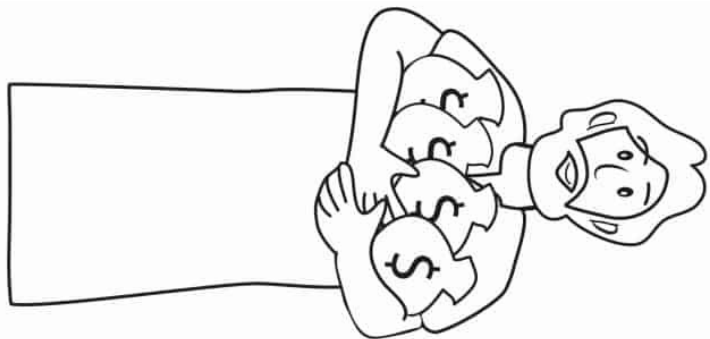
Fold in half and cut on black lines to make a flip chart.

On the inside draw a picture of what each servant did with his talent.



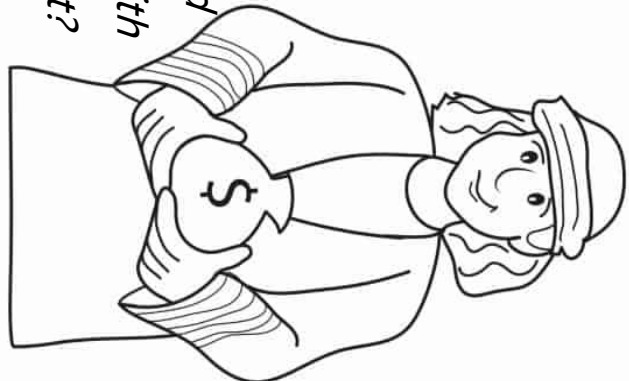
To one servant
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talents.

*What did he
do with his
talents?*



To one servant
he gave 2
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*What did
he do with
his talents?*

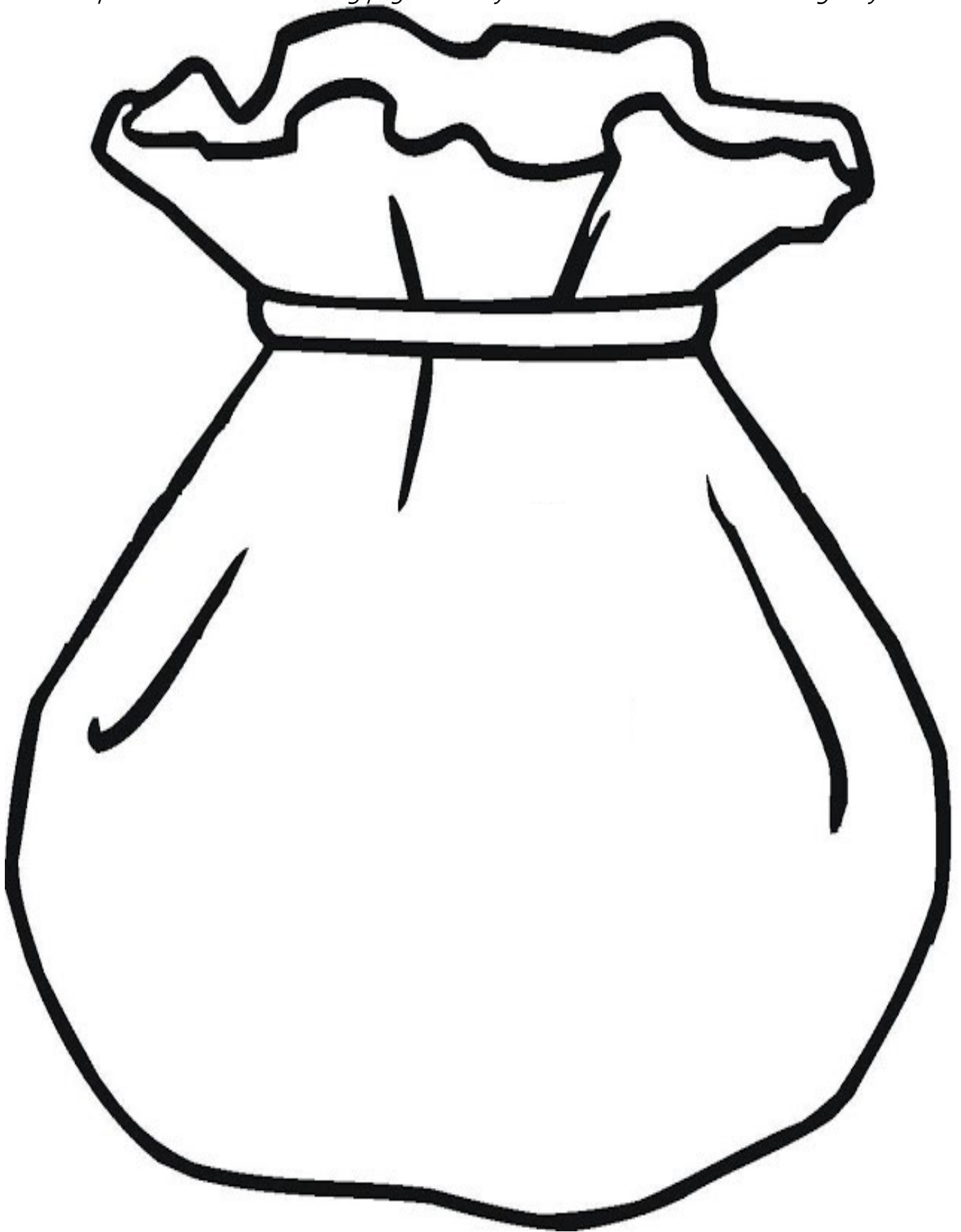


To one servant he gave 1 talent.

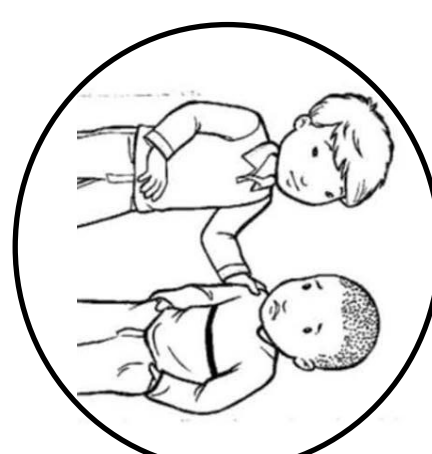
*What did
he do with
his talent?*

Filling My Bag

Add pictures from the following page of how you can use the talents that God gave you.



Cut out the talents on this page and Fill Your Bag (on the previous page) with things you can do to with the Talents God gave you.



The Ten Talents

Work through the maze to find how much each servant had to give back to their master when he returned from his journey. Write down the total talents for each servant.

Matthew 25:14-30

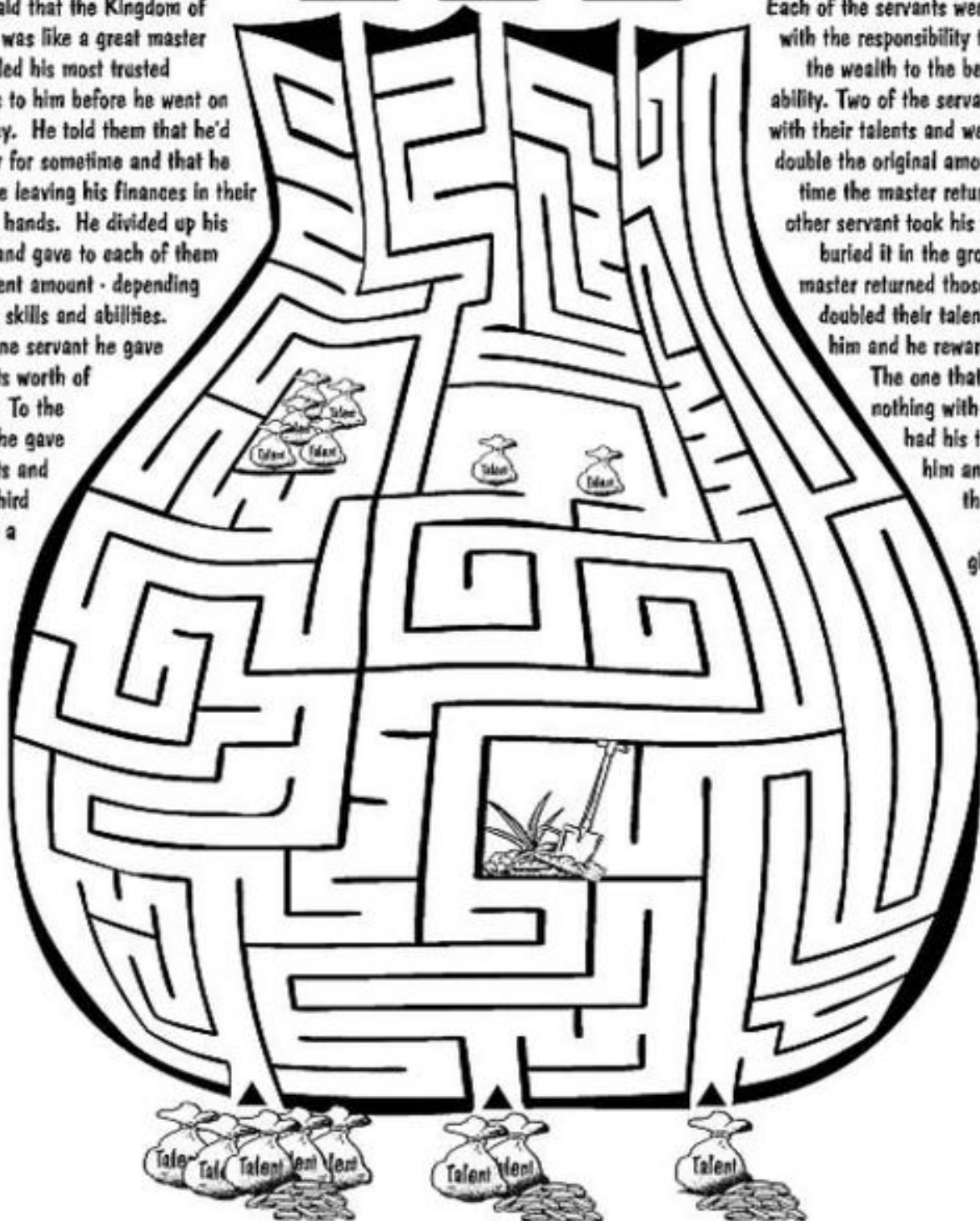
Talents	Talents	Talents

Jesus said that the Kingdom of Heaven was like a great master who called his most trusted servants to him before he went on a journey. He told them that he'd be away for sometime and that he would be leaving his finances in their capable hands. He divided up his wealth and gave to each of them a different amount - depending on their skills and abilities.

To one servant he gave 5 talents worth of wealth. To the second he gave 2 talents and to the third he gave a single talent.

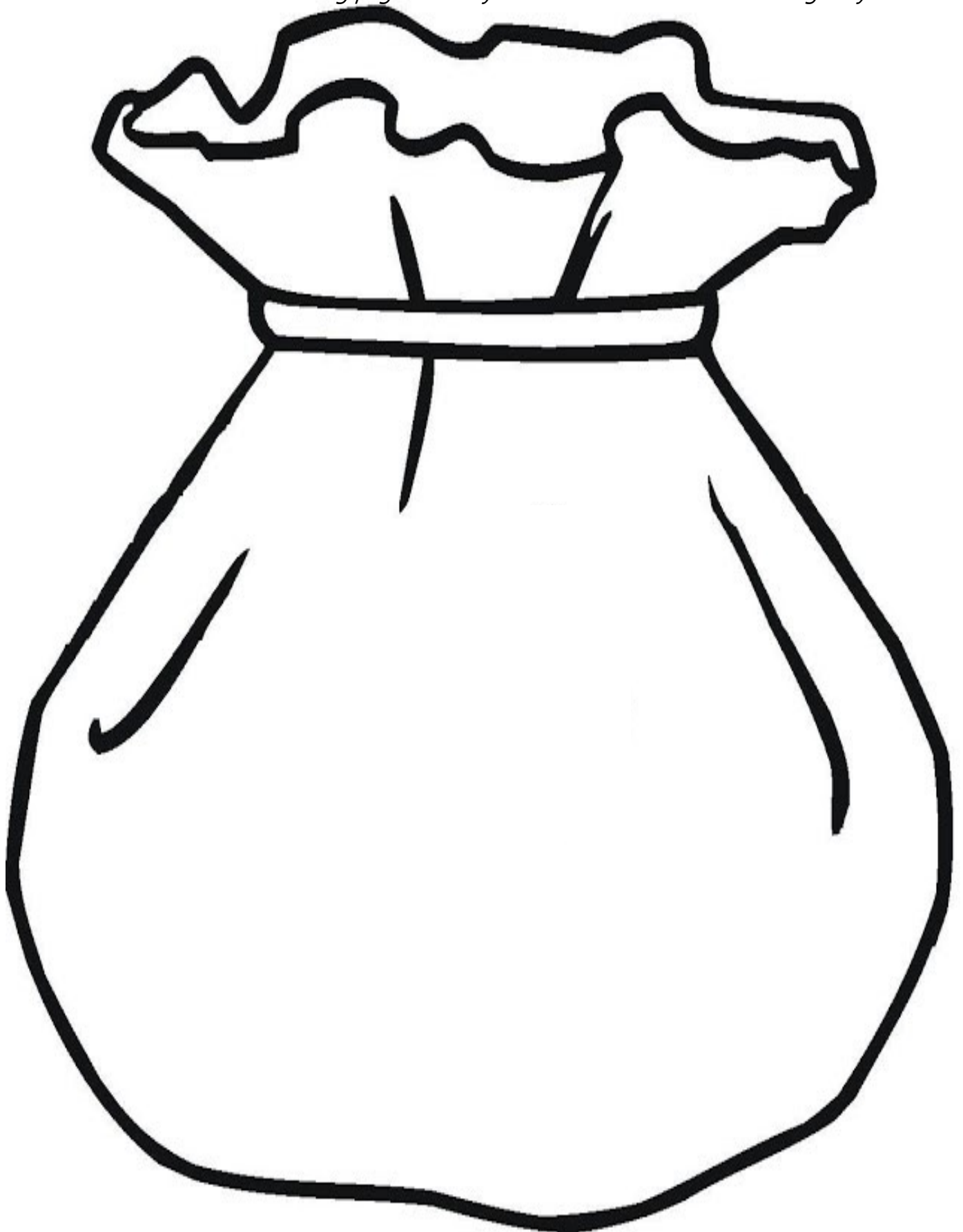
Each of the servants were charged with the responsibility to care for the wealth to the best of their ability. Two of the servants traded with their talents and were able to double the original amount by the time the master returned. The other servant took his talent and buried it in the ground. The master returned those that had doubled their talents pleased him and he rewarded them.

The one that had done nothing with the talent had his taken from him and given to the one that had been given the 5 talents.



Filling My Bag

Add coins from the following page of how you can use the talents that God gave you.



*Thinking back over the lessons we have done, bible verses we have read, what are some talents God has given to you? Write or draw them on the coins and fill your bag on the previous page.
(First one is done for you)*

Be a light to
those around
me!
Matt 5:14

A grid of 12 empty circles arranged in 3 rows and 4 columns. The top-right circle contains the text 'Be a light to those around me! Matt 5:14'. The other 11 circles are empty for the user to write or draw in.