

Introduction — Jesus will return

1. The parables of masters and servants

2. An aside: How does a parable like this relate to the gospel?

3a. A word for those who would not call themselves Christians

3b. A word for those who call themselves Christians

Prayer

What should we do while we wait for Jesus to return?



Luke's story of Jesus

chapter 12:35–48



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The story so far

Jesus was born to be a King and a Saviour. But not the normal kind of king — Jesus said that to be King and save his people he would have to die on a cross!

In this part of Luke’s story Jesus is heading to the capital, Jerusalem, where he will be arrested and killed. As he travels there he is teaching us what it means to follow him...

Masters and servants

Read **Luke 12:35–48**. Are there any difficult words?

Break up into two teams and pretend to be the faithful and faithless servants.

12:35–46	Faithful Servants	Faithless Servants
What do you do?		
What is the result?		
What would be your “motto”? [optional]		
What would your “logo” look like? [optional]		

Who do the following characters represent?

The master =

The servants =

The manager =



What do we learn about Jesus’ return?

Do you think Christians can *really* expect Jesus to return? (Be honest!)

For those who are Christian...

What is the point of verses 47–48?

Think of a situation this week where you could be tempted to be a ‘faithless’ servant.

How can we, as a group, encourage each other to remain faithful?