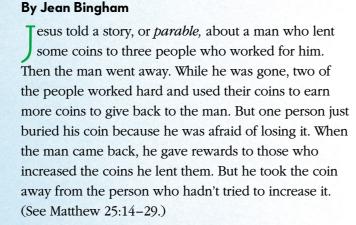
The Parable of the Talents

SCRIPTURE TIME



Like the man in the parable, Heavenly Father has given each of us some something very valuable—not coins, but special abilities or talents, like singing, showing love, running, or helping others. Like the people in the parable, you have to work hard to make your talents grow!

How can you follow Jesus's teachings by using and improving your talents? You will feel happier and help others when you do.

> **LEARN MORE** A talent is a special

ability, like a talent for

drawing. But in Jesus's

time, the word talent

meant an amount of

great worth. How are

money that was of

these two types of

talents alike?

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Family Talent Show Plan a show to share your talents! 1. Have each family member share something they are good at, like reading aloud, baking a treat, performing a musical number, telling a joke, doing a somersault, or sharing a happy

2. As each person finishes sharing a talent, have the other members of the family tell something good they have noticed about that person.

> 3. For refreshments, combine each person's favorite fruit to make a yummy fruit salad!



You can print more invitations at friend.lds.org.

FAMILY TALK

Help each family member name at least one talent he or she has. How can you help each other make your talents grow? Talk about how using your talents helps others and shows Heavenly Father your gratitude. Challenge family members to look for each other's talents and share a sincere compliment each day.

Song: "'Give,' Said the Little Stream" (Children's Songbook, 236)

Scripture: D&C 46:11

Video: Go to **Biblevideos.org** to watch "The Parable of the Talents"

> All set for our family talent



SCRIPTURE TIP

Acting out a scripture story is a fun way to learn more about it.

- 1. Assign someone to play each part in the story. You can use simple costumes and props like bathrobes and paper coins.
- 2. Have someone read the story, pausing after each verse so the players can act out what was just read.
- 3. Act out the story again so everyone has a turn.

Yeah, but Stretch is still getting his

