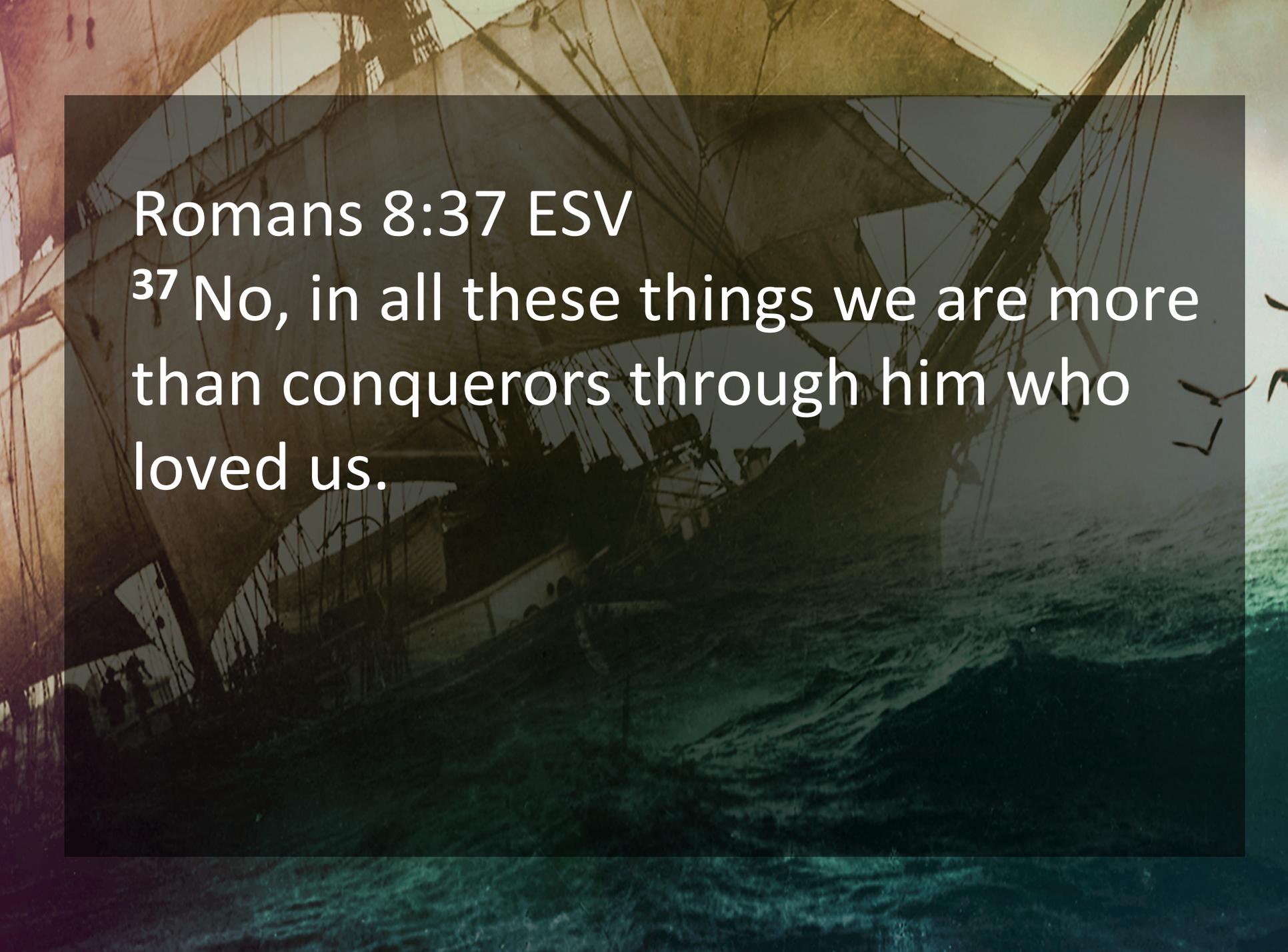




Conquerors

week 3

Conquering the spirit of non-investment.

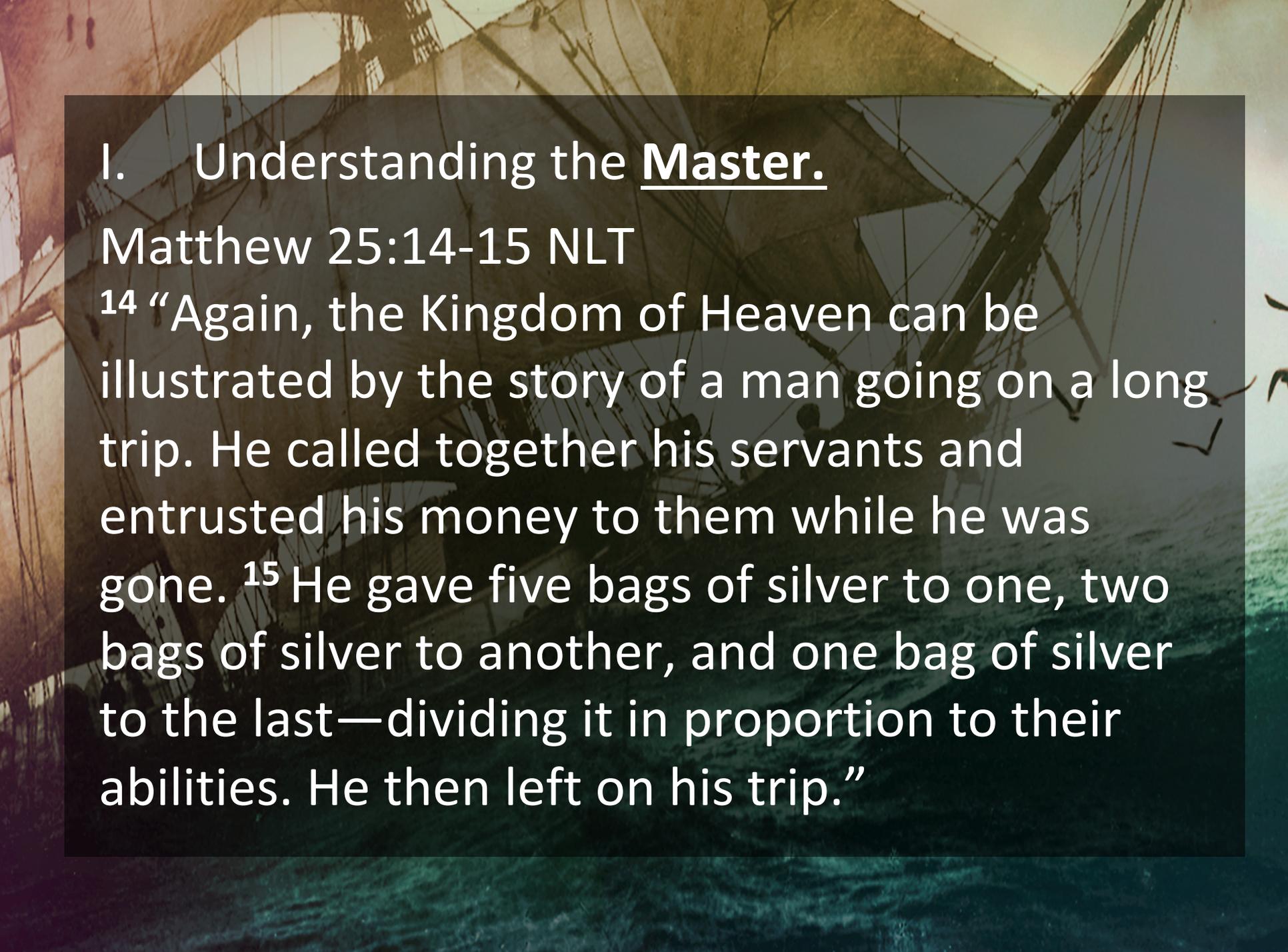


Romans 8:37 ESV

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

A large, multi-masted sailing ship is shown at sea at night. The ship's sails are partially illuminated, and the sea is dark with some whitecaps. Several birds are flying in the sky above the ship. The overall scene is dramatic and atmospheric.

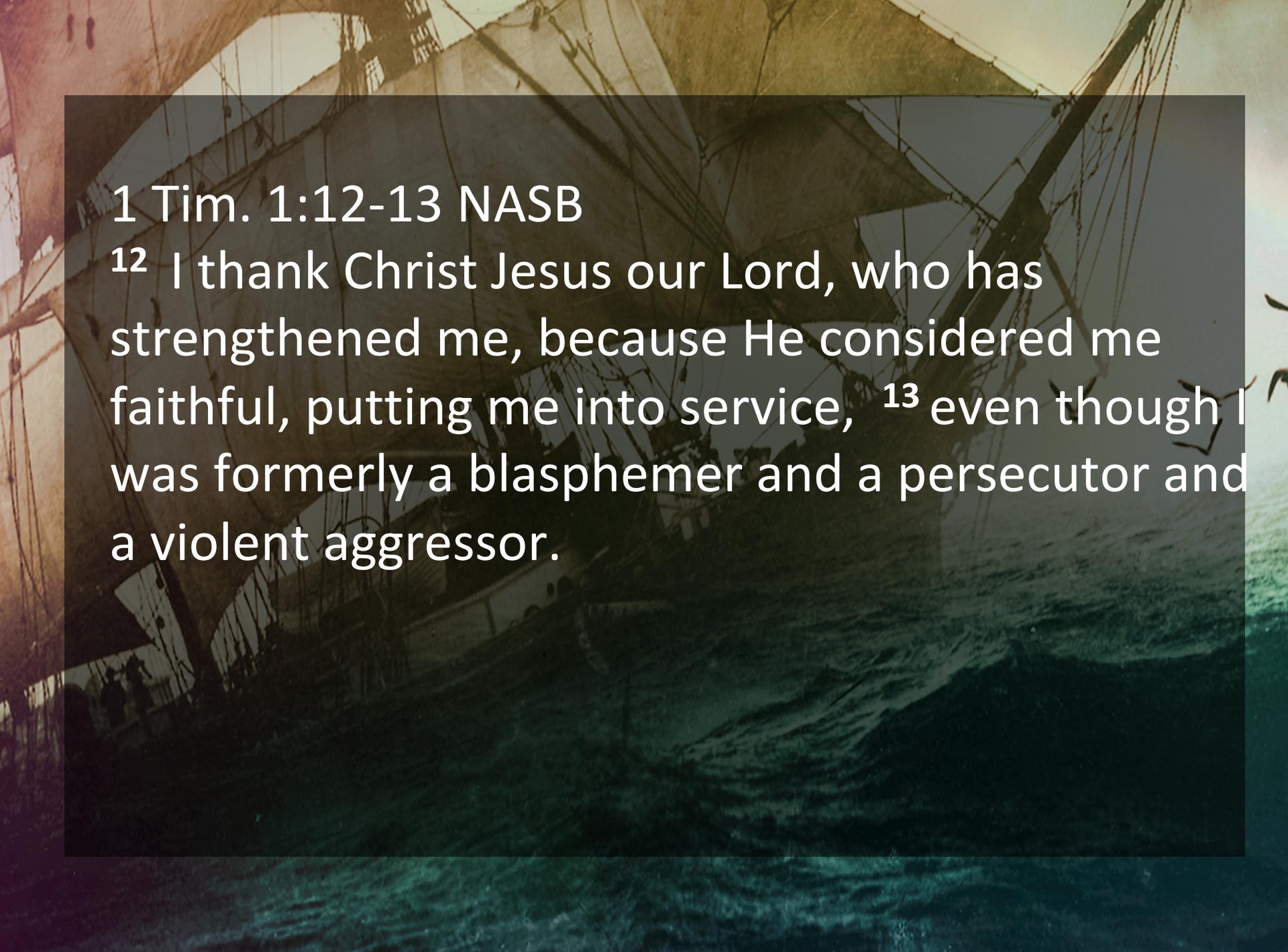
Conquering the spirit of non-investment.
Matthew 25:14-30 NLT

A large sailing ship with multiple masts and sails is shown on a dark, choppy sea. The sky is a deep blue with several birds in flight. The overall scene is dramatic and evocative of a long sea voyage.

I. Understanding the Master.

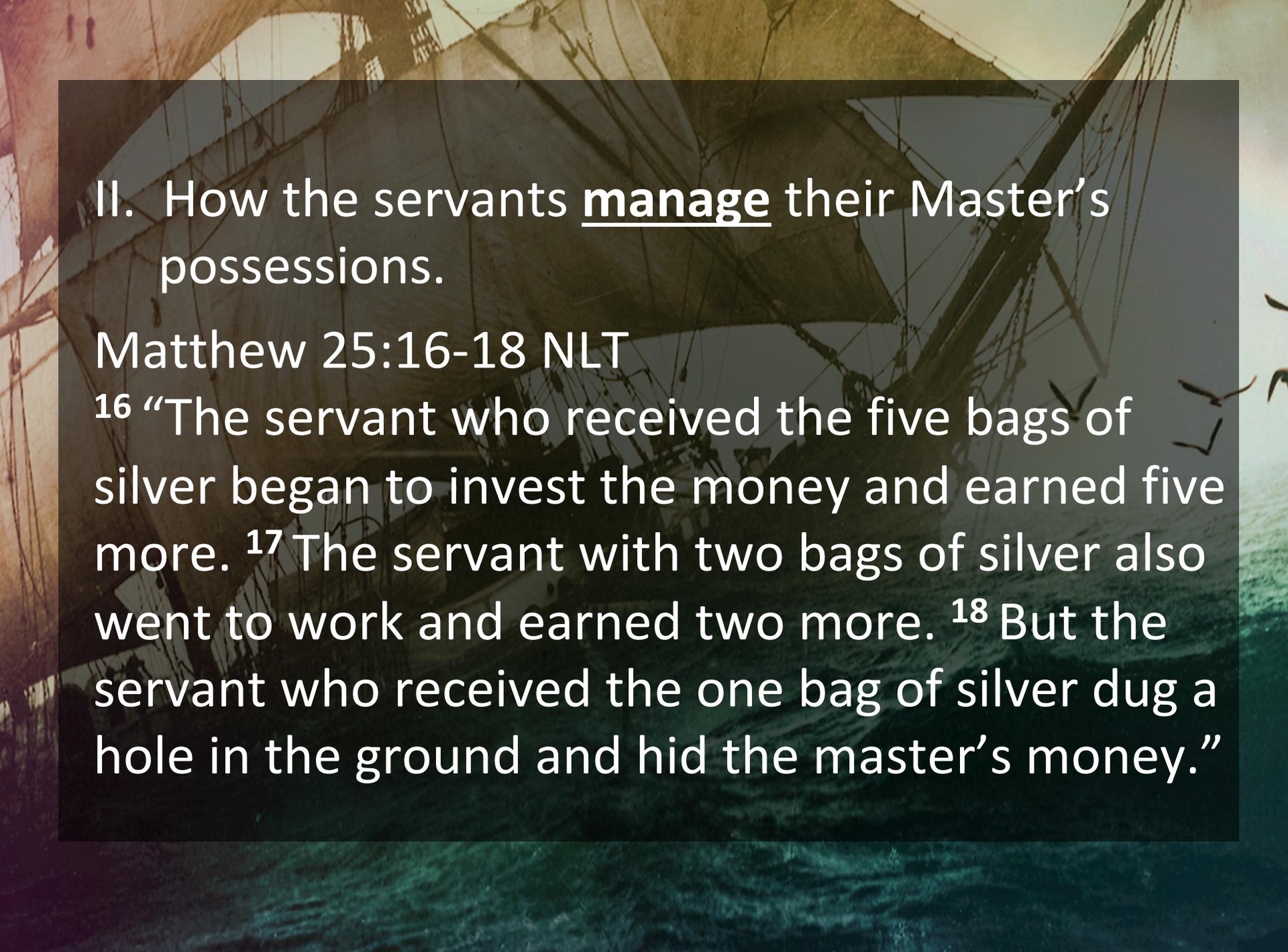
Matthew 25:14-15 NLT

¹⁴ “Again, the Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a man going on a long trip. He called together his servants and entrusted his money to them while he was gone. ¹⁵ He gave five bags of silver to one, two bags of silver to another, and one bag of silver to the last—dividing it in proportion to their abilities. He then left on his trip.”

A large, multi-masted sailing ship is shown at sea at night. The ship's complex rigging and masts are silhouetted against a dark, starry sky. The sea below is dark and choppy, with some light reflecting off the water's surface. The overall mood is somber and majestic.

1 Tim. 1:12-13 NASB

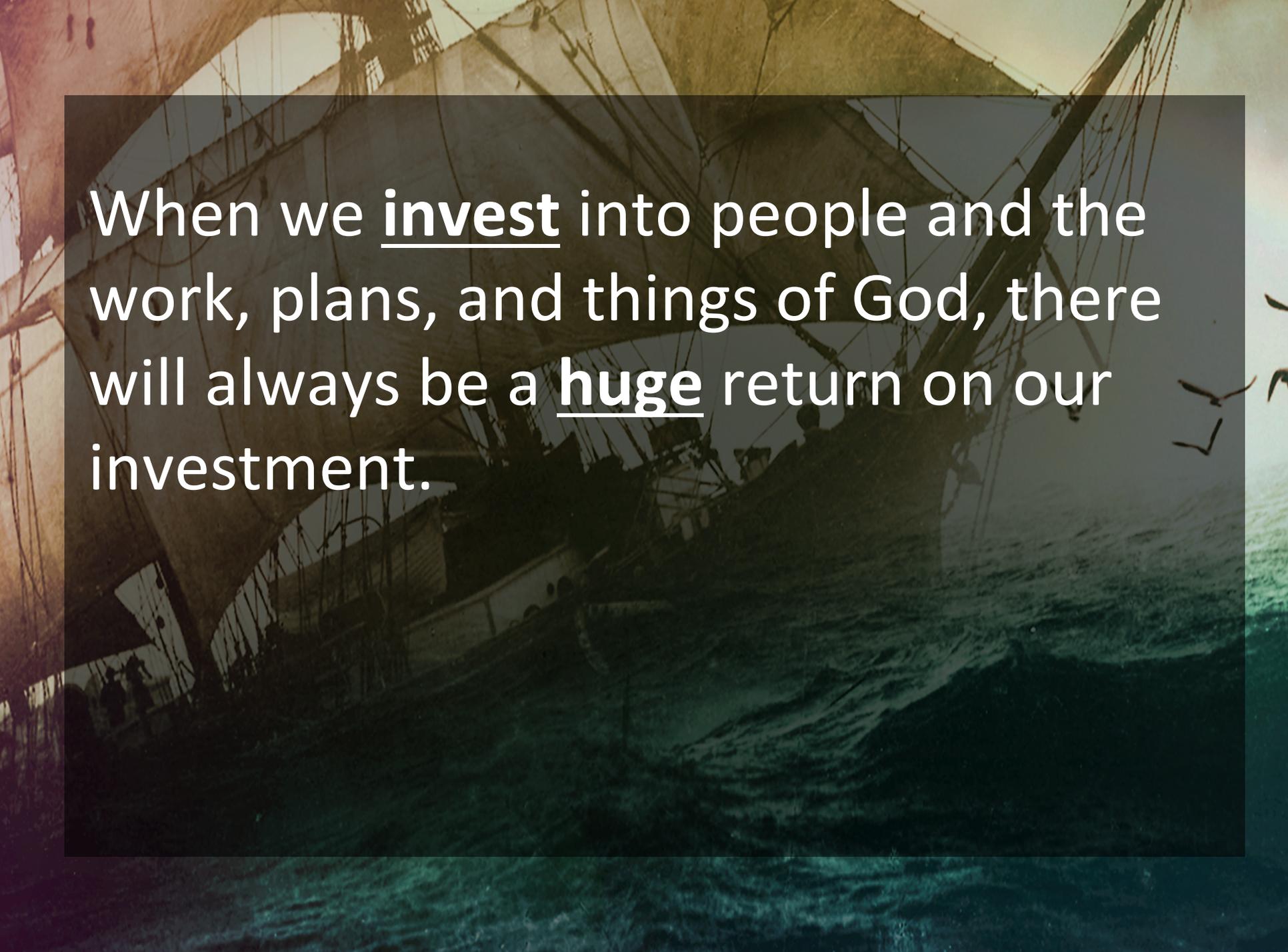
¹² I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service, ¹³ even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor.



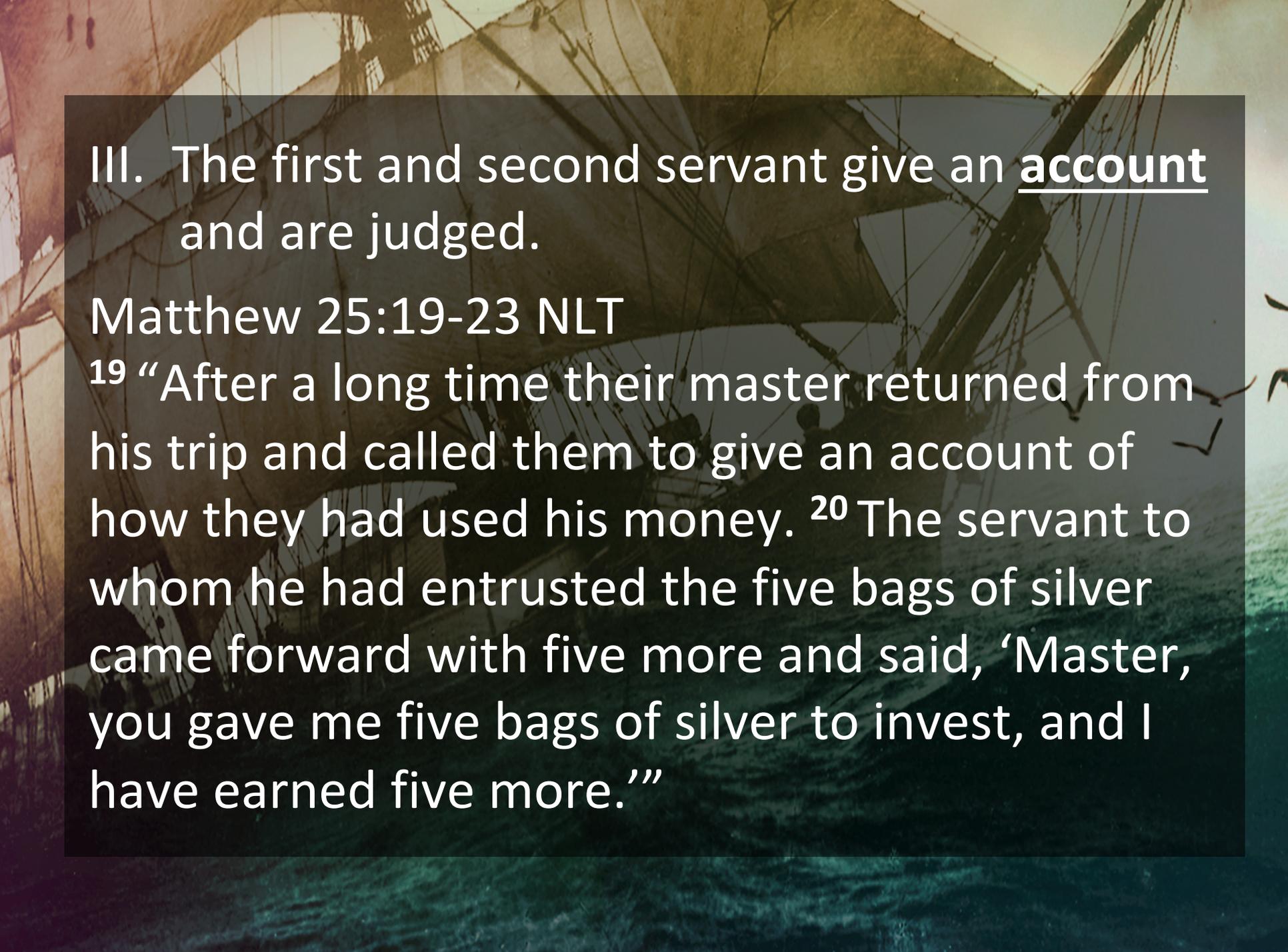
II. How the servants manage their Master's possessions.

Matthew 25:16-18 NLT

¹⁶ “The servant who received the five bags of silver began to invest the money and earned five more. ¹⁷ The servant with two bags of silver also went to work and earned two more. ¹⁸ But the servant who received the one bag of silver dug a hole in the ground and hid the master's money.”

A large, multi-masted sailing ship is shown on a dark, choppy sea. The ship's sails are partially visible, and the rigging is complex. In the upper right, several birds are flying against a lighter sky. The overall scene is dramatic and evokes a sense of adventure and exploration.

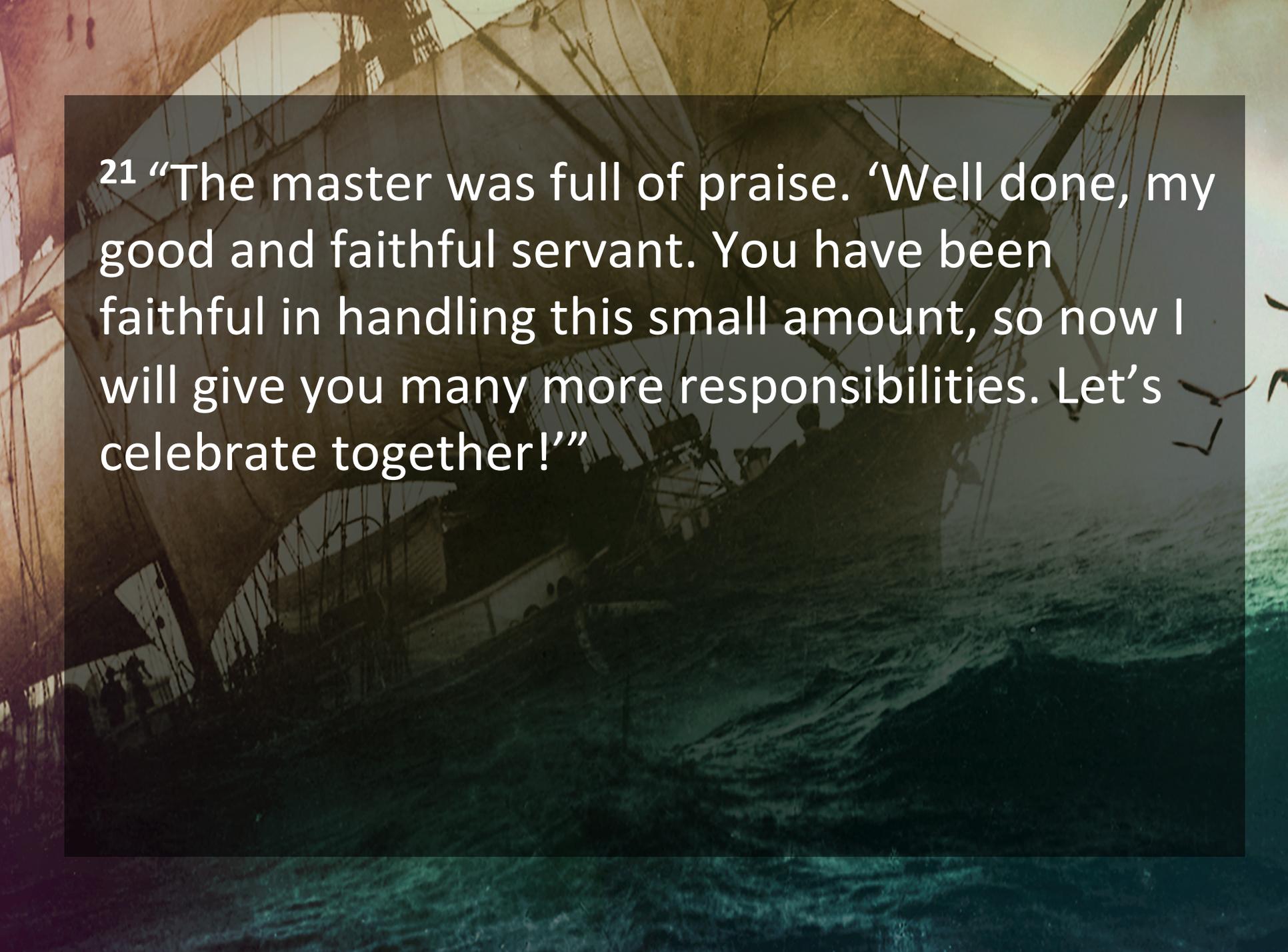
When we invest into people and the work, plans, and things of God, there will always be a huge return on our investment.

A large sailing ship with multiple masts and sails is shown on a dark sea at night. The ship's rigging and masts are silhouetted against a dark sky. The water is dark and choppy. The overall scene is dramatic and atmospheric.

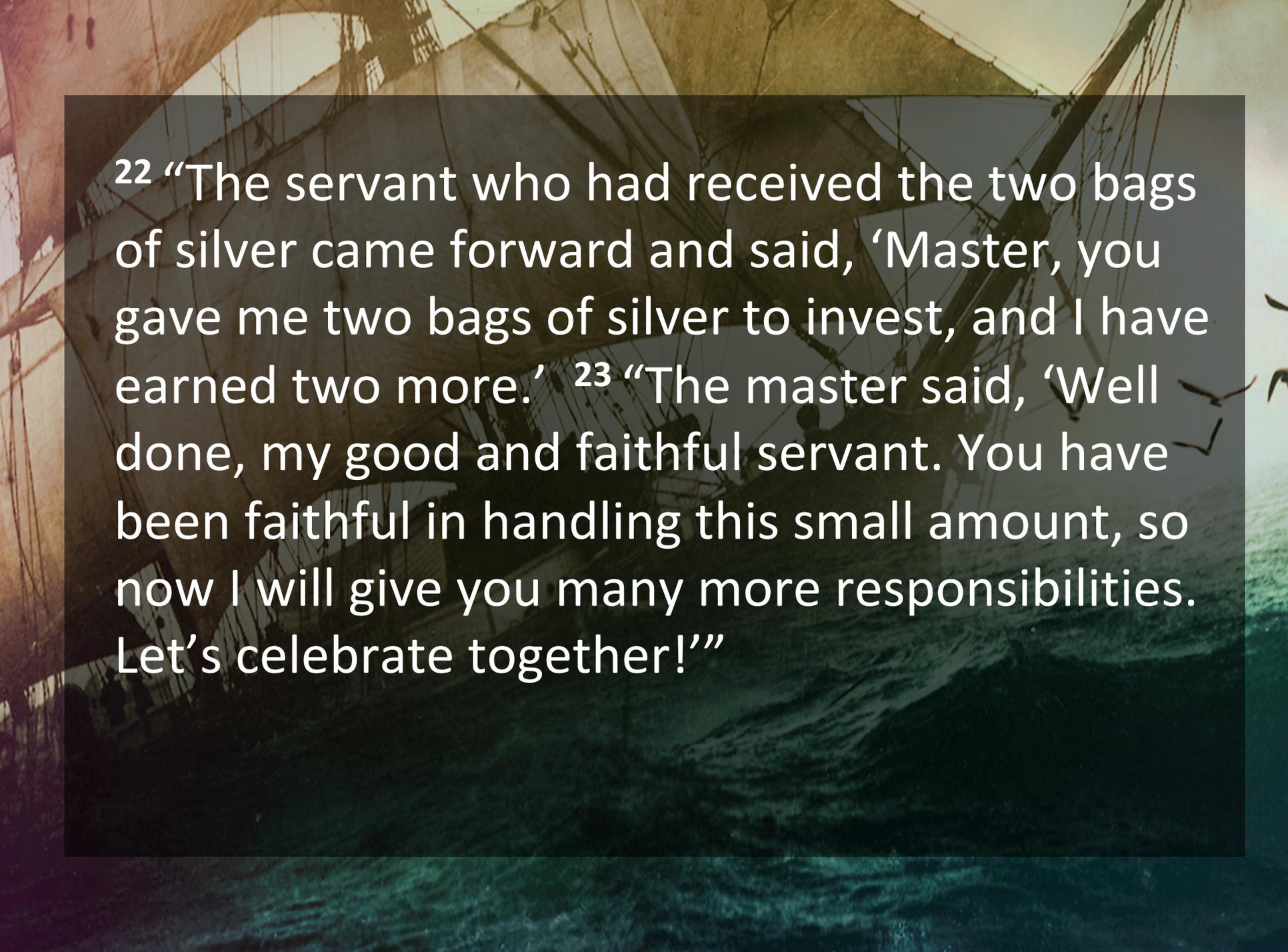
III. The first and second servant give an account and are judged.

Matthew 25:19-23 NLT

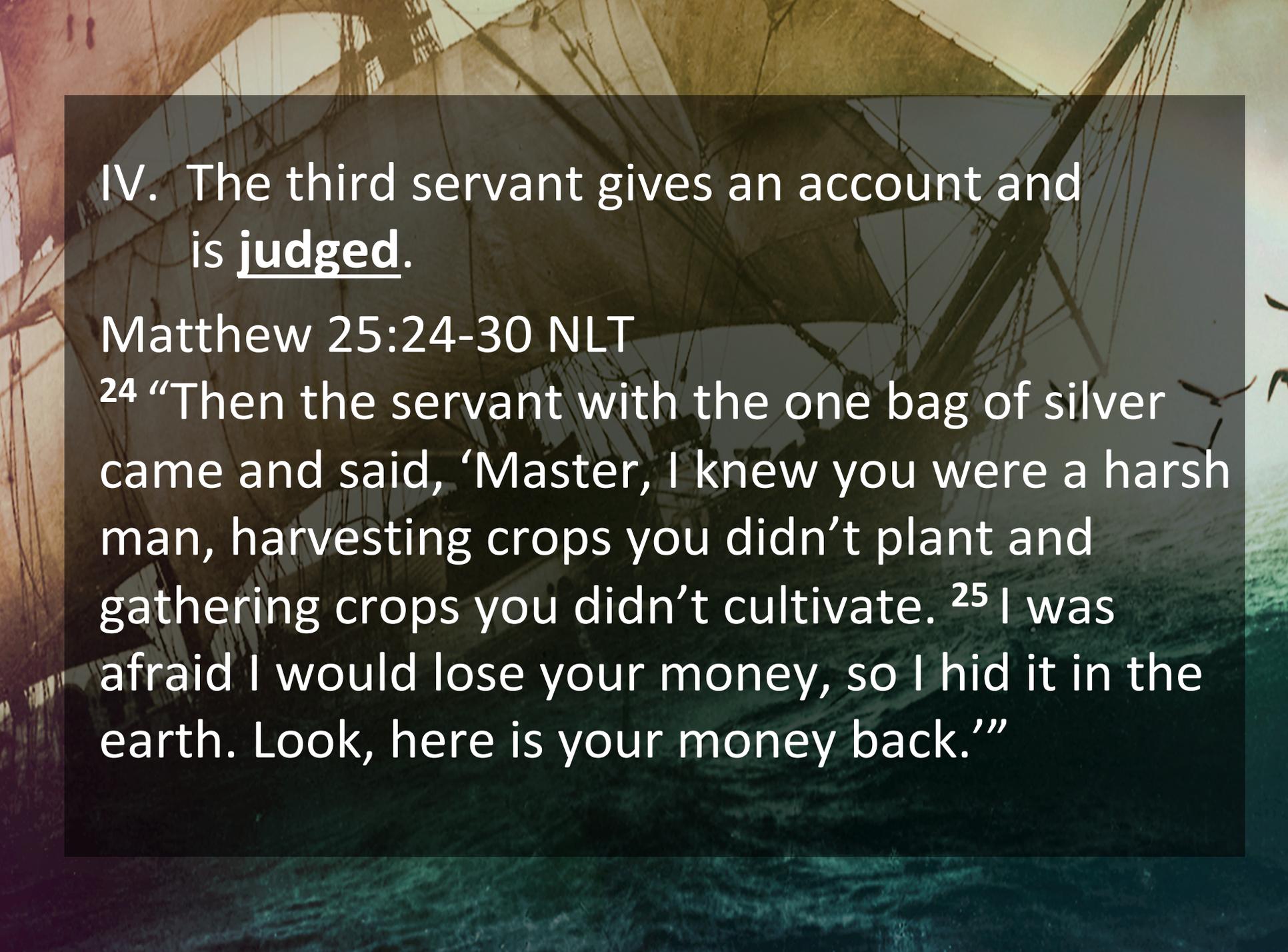
¹⁹ “After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of how they had used his money. ²⁰ The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver came forward with five more and said, ‘Master, you gave me five bags of silver to invest, and I have earned five more.’”

A large wooden sailing ship is shown on the ocean at sunset. The ship's masts and rigging are silhouetted against the bright, orange and yellow sky. The water is dark blue with white-capped waves. Several seagulls are flying in the sky to the right of the ship. The overall scene is dramatic and evocative.

²¹ “The master was full of praise. ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’”

A large sailing ship with multiple masts and sails is seen from a low angle on the ocean. The sky is filled with several birds in flight. The overall scene is dramatic and evocative, with a mix of warm and cool tones.

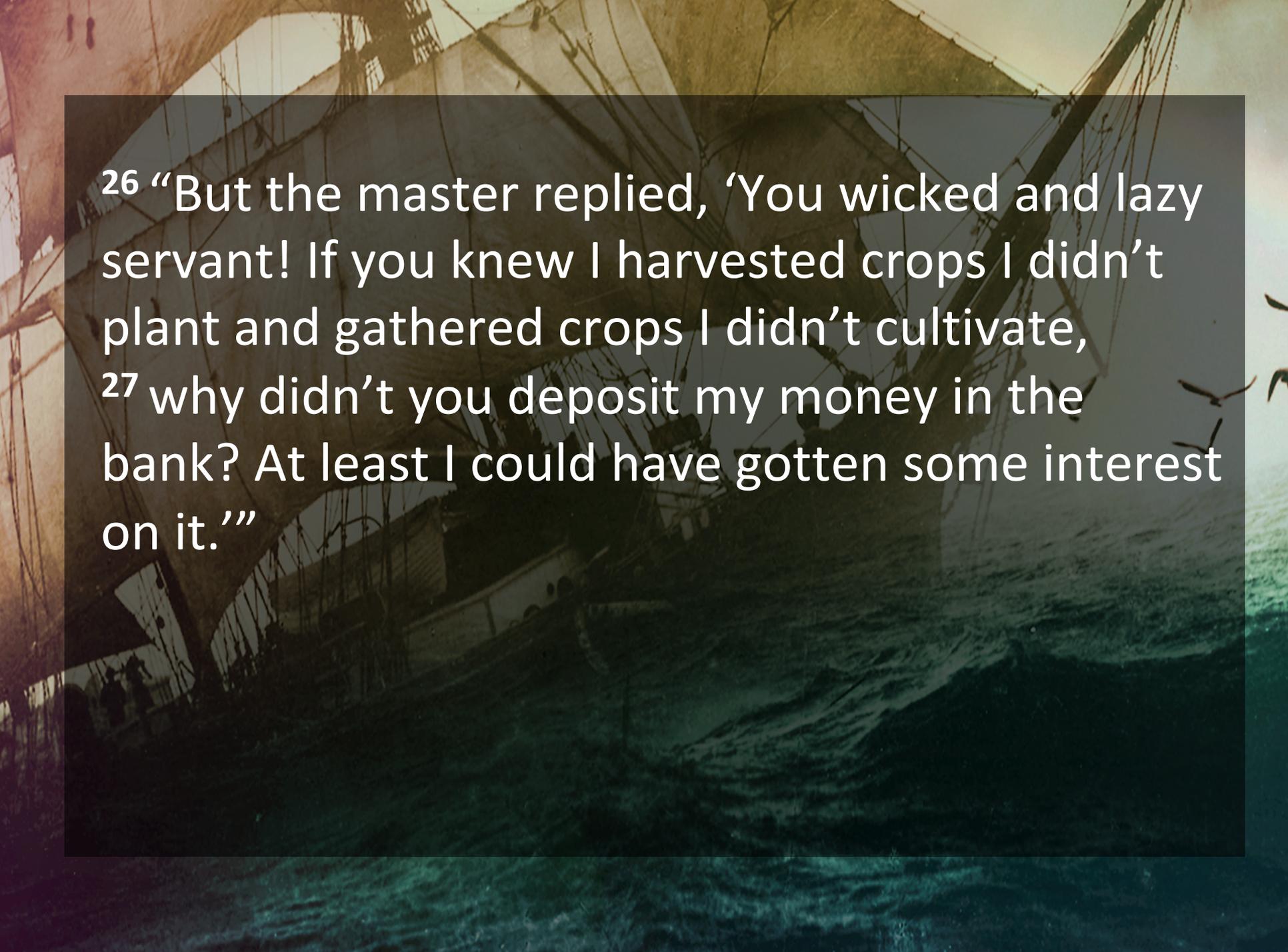
²² “The servant who had received the two bags of silver came forward and said, ‘Master, you gave me two bags of silver to invest, and I have earned two more.’ ²³ “The master said, ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’”



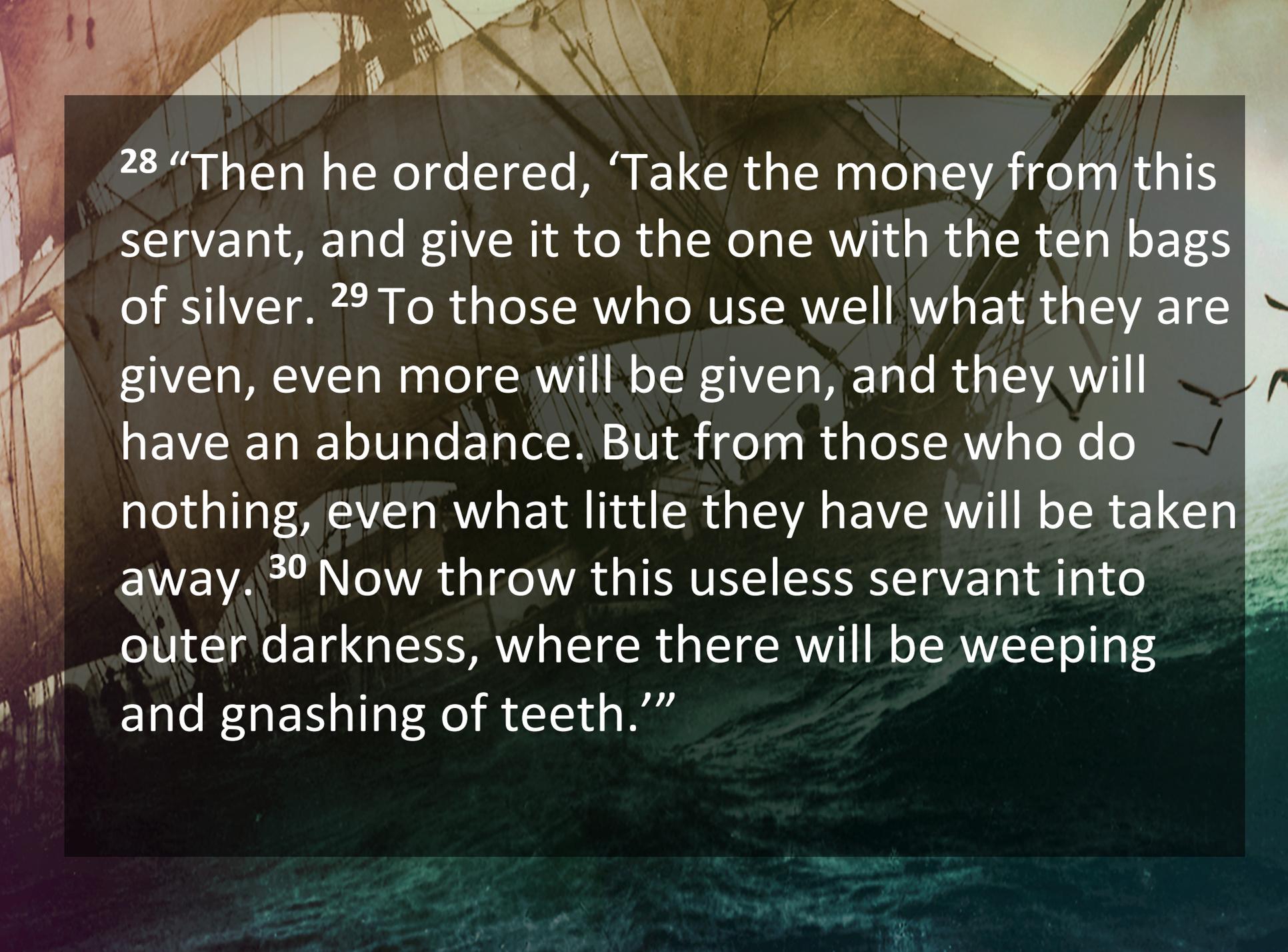
IV. The third servant gives an account and is judged.

Matthew 25:24-30 NLT

²⁴ “Then the servant with the one bag of silver came and said, ‘Master, I knew you were a harsh man, harvesting crops you didn’t plant and gathering crops you didn’t cultivate. ²⁵ I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth. Look, here is your money back.’”

A large wooden sailing ship is shown on the ocean, with its complex rigging and masts visible. The ship is tilted slightly to the left. The sky is a pale, hazy blue, and several birds are seen in flight on the right side of the frame. The water is a deep, dark blue-green color. The overall scene is somewhat dimly lit, giving it a historical or dramatic feel.

²⁶ “But the master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy servant! If you knew I harvested crops I didn’t plant and gathered crops I didn’t cultivate,
²⁷ why didn’t you deposit my money in the bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.’”

A large sailing ship with multiple masts and sails is seen from a low angle, sailing on a dark, choppy sea. The sky is a deep blue-green, and several birds are flying in the distance. The overall mood is dramatic and somewhat somber.

²⁸ “Then he ordered, ‘Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one with the ten bags of silver. ²⁹ To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. ³⁰ Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

