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Week of December 13, 2015

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Are you familiar with the two parables Jesus tells at the beginning of Matthew 25? What do you remember from those parables?

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What's the difference between the people who enter eternal life from the people who face eternal punishment?

Why does Jesus emphasize the importance of serving his family?

What significance do you see in the fact that eternal life was prepared for servants but eternal punishment was prepared for Satan and his followers?

Take it Home

Jesus very clearly says that eternal life or "heaven" has been **prepared for servants**. What do you think of that?

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