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Verse 17 – And likewise he who had received the two talents--he also gained two talents more.

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I Corinthians 3:9 - ...you are God's garden and vineyard and field under cultivation...

I Peter 1:23 – You have been regenerated, not from a mortal (corruptible) seed, but the incorruptible Word of God.

Never allow the incorruptible **seed** of His Word within us to become corrupted by your situation, circumstance, trial, adversity, lack of faith.

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