

“What Excuses Can And Cannot Do For Us”

Lesson Text: **Matthew 25:24-25.**

I. People Who Made Excuses In The Scriptures.

- Adam & Eve Made Excuses About Their Sin- **Genesis 3:11-13.**
- Moses Made Excuses For Not Going Before Pharaoh- **Exodus 3:7 – 4:10.**
- Aaron Made Excuses For Making The Golden Calf- **Exodus 32:19-24.**
- King Saul Made Excuses For Not Destroying The Amalekites- **1 Samuel 15:18-21.**
- Some Jews Made Excuses For Not Following Jesus- **Luke 9:57-62.**

II. What Excuses Can Do For Us.

1. Excuses Can Make Us Feel Better About Our Failure.

- **Matthew 19:21-22; Matthew 25:1-10; Luke 10:30-33.**

2. Excuses Can Make Us A Liar.

- **Luke 14:16-21.**

3. Excuses Can Hinder Our Spiritual Development.

- **Hebrews 5:8-14; 2 Peter 1:5-11.**

4. Excuses Can Hurt Our Influence As A Christian.

- **Matthew 5:13-16.**

III. What Excuses Cannot Do For Us.

1. Excuses Cannot Help Us Bear Fruit To God.

- **John 15:1-2; 5-8.**

2. Excuses Cannot Turn Disobedience Into Faithful Obedience.

- **Matthew 25:26-30.**

3. Excuses Cannot Encourage Others To Be More Faithful.

- **Hebrews 10:22-25; Vs. 26-27.**

4. Excuses Cannot Inherit The Promises Of God.

- **Hebrews 6:11-12.**