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Mat. 20:1-16

You suggested that I give a chapel talk about the parable about the man who hired different hours of the day and then gave them all the same pay. The KJV says he gave each a penny. The NIV says he gave to each of them a denarius, which I think is better because today a penny sounds silly for a days' work, and a denarius just means he gave the same salary regardless. We don't know what it means. After all standards of pay are constantly varying anyway everywhere.

That might be a good thing for a talk sometime but I certainly will not give the material that was given the last time I heard anybody speak about this. In fact as far as I recall the only time I heard anybody speak about this particular parable was during my first year of teaching when one of our senior students was to be ordained in the NY Avenue Presbyterian church in Washington, D.C. That was before Peter Marshal was pastor there. I don't remember the name of the man. I think he went to NY from there. I gave the sermon and it was on the subject of Speaking the Truth in Love. I had just heard a talk in our chapel at Princeton in which the professor there had talked about speaking the truth in love, and had talked about how some of us say that the earth goes around the sun, and some that the sun goes around the earth. But they keep moving the same way regardless of what we say. So the important thing is/that we know the truth about these things ^{not} but that we show a loving spirit. So I gave a talk on how it is important we show a loving spirit, but that was not the main point of the talk. It was not speaking in love but that we speak the truth. And that the truth needs to be proclaimed, etc. Then the charge to the new minister was given by the pastor of the church who talked about