## **INSPIRING WORSHIP ALL WEEK**

K E Y	"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability.  Matthew 25:14-15a
	Preparing for Sunday, November 19 <sup>th</sup>
READ I NGS	Day 1— Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18
	Day 2— Psalm 90:1-12
	Day 3— 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
	Day 4— Matthew 25:14-30
	Day 5— 1 Corinthians 12:4-11
	Day 6— 1 Timothy 4:14
	*Sunday readings in bold.
A P P L Y	Often the television program, America's Got Talent, introduces viewers to everyday people who find themselves after years of reluctance inspired to finally share of their unique gifts and abilities. Jesus tells a parable about a master who gives his workers varied gifts (called "talents"). Many of the workers put their talents to use in order that they grow, but one worker doesn't do anything with the talent he was given. In fact, he hides it and buries it away. In the end, that talent is taken from him. Jesus is reminding each of us that our gifts, the things that God has entrusted to us, are meant to be shared. In sharing those gifts, they can grow and reach far beyond ourselves. Think about a time in your life when you may have stepped out in faith and shared of a hidden "talent" in service to others?
PRAYER	Dear God-Thank you for the life of Jesus who showed us through his journey here on earth, how to gracefully receive the gifts we have been given and in turn, share of ourselves and those gifts with those around us. Amen.

Devotions written by Trinity members.