PARABLE OF THE VIRGINS

The emphasis is on Waiting

 The whole point of this parable is to be ready and prepared.

True believers have saving grace with a manifest personal testimony for Christ.

False believers have a testimony for self and not for Christ.

The simple overarching message is the evidence of a personal testimony for Christ.

PARABLE OF THE TALENTS

The emphasis is on Working

 While we are waiting for and anticipating the Lord's Return, we are also Serving.

True believers manifest God's grace in their lives in opportunities for service.

False believers miss the opportunity to believe on Christ.

The simple overarching message is the tragedy of wasted opportunity for Christ by unbelief.