

Stewardship Focus

Faithful in the small things

“Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.” (Luke 16:10)

In Luke 16, Jesus tells the parable of the shrewd manager. This manager was about to lose his job, and he acted quickly to secure his future. While his methods were not commendable, his urgency and foresight were. Jesus uses this story to remind us that what we do with our earthly resources matters—because ultimately, everything we have is on loan from God.

Stewardship is about trust. God has entrusted us with time, talent, and treasure—not to hoard or misuse, but to use wisely for His purposes. **The way we spend our time reflects our priorities. The way we use our talents shows our willingness to serve others. The way we handle our treasure reveals where our hearts truly are.**



Jesus warns us that we cannot serve both God and money. Our resources are tools, not masters. They are meant to build His kingdom, bless others, and draw us closer to Him. When we manage what God has given us faithfully, we not only show gratitude but also position ourselves to be entrusted with even greater things.

Stewardship Connection

- **Time:** Set aside prime time with God this week, not just what's leftover.
- **Talent:** Look for ways to put my skills and passions to work for God's kingdom
- **Treasure:** Be cogniscent of how and where you spend your money, getting back a portion to God.

Reflection Questions:

- What does Jesus' parable of the shrewd manager teach us about planning for eternity?
- How do you currently use your time to serve God and others?
- In what ways can your talents—skills, passions, and gifts—be used more intentionally for God's kingdom?
- How does the way you handle your treasure (finances, possessions) reflect your trust in God?

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, all that I have—my time, my talents, and my treasure—comes from You. Teach me to be faithful with what You've entrusted to me. Help me to serve You as my only Master and to use all I have for Your glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.