

FOCUS ON BEING GOD'S SERVANT

“Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; ¹⁸ That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; ¹⁹ Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.” (1 Timothy 6:17-19)

Quote: “If God is our Master, then money will be our servant, and we will use our resources in the will of God. But if God is not our Master, then we will become the servants of money, and money is a terrible master! We will start wasting our lives instead of investing them.”—**Warren Weirsbe**



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CONCLUSION

“For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.” (2 Corinthians 5:1)

TITLE: REACHING FORTH IN STEWARDSHIP

“And he said also unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man, which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods. ² And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward. ³ Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed. ⁴ I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. ⁵ So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord? ⁶ And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. ⁷ Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore. ⁸ And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. ⁹ And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations. ¹⁰ He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much. ¹¹ If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? ¹² And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?” (Luke 16:1-12)*

INTRODUCTION

1. The _____ of Stewards



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A. _____ **Faithfully**

Quote: “A steward is one who manages the affairs of another.”

*“Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.”
(1 Corinthians 4:2)*

Quote: “The most important thing about a steward is that he serve his master faithfully (1 Corinthians 4:2). When he looks at the riches around him, the steward must remember that they belong to his master, not to him personally, and that they must be used in a way that will please and profit the master.”

—Warren Wiersbe

B. _____ **Account**

*“But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou rest at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. ¹¹ For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. ¹² So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.”
(Romans 14:10–12)*

2. The _____ of Stewards

A. _____

PERSONAL RESOLVE

ETERNAL PRIORITY

“Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.” (James 4:14)

B. _____

DAILY RESPONSIBILITY

Quote: “Owners have rights; stewards have responsibilities.”

*“For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?”
(Luke 14:28)*

ETERNAL OPPORTUNITY

Quote: “Use your affluence for eternal influence.”

*“Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:
²⁰ But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: ²¹ For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” (Matthew 6:19–21)*

3. The _____ to Stewards

A. Steward with _____

BE FAITHFUL IN LEAST

Quote: “Character begins with the little things in life. We must show that we can be trusted with even the trivial things.”

—Tony Dungy

Quote: “It is a tragedy when a man does nothing because he couldn’t do much.”

Quote: “Consistent giving leads to consistent living. Inconsistent giving produces inconsistent living.”

*“For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”
(Luke 12:34)*

BLESSED BY THE LORD

“But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:19)

B. Steward with _____

“A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.” (James 1:8)

FOCUS ON GOD’S WILL

*“Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.”
(2 Corinthians 9:7)*