

BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP

WHAT IS BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP?

FUNCTION: MULTIPLICATION

Stewards are called to the responsibility to MULTIPLY Christ's investment. Goal: insight. Luke 19:12-28

Review: Luke 16:1-2 the biblical description of dispensational theology.

I. FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO STEWARDSHIP

1. Is Jesus your _____? Rom 10:13
2. Understand that He made the _____ investment in you.
 - **To save you was to buy you back from sin and death.** 1Cor 6:20, 2 Cor 5:21
 - **God in His mercy bought you back from sin and death. Eternal hell.** 1Cor 7:23, Rom 12:1-2

The rest of Rom 12? HOW TO BE THE CHURCH THAT CHRIST DIED FOR ON THE MISSION THAT CHRIST GAVE.

Ex: Matt 28:18-20, Acts 1:8 - this is THE _____. There is nothing else. Luke 6:46

- **Do we "get" what our _____ service really is?** Luke 17:7-10
We do what we believe is our duty and think we're clear of our responsibilities.

KEY: 1Co 4:2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

The steward is to take the investment of the Lord and work that investment in order to multiply it.

Are you distractible? Or, are you focused? Faithful? Working to multiply the Master's investment?

See the LORD made a total investment! The Shareholder deserves a return on investment!

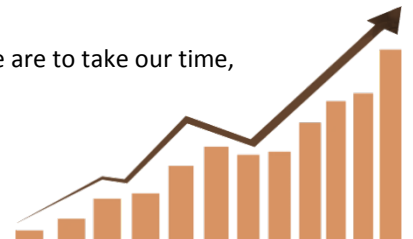
II. _____ VS. UNFAITHFUL SERVANTS. Luke 19:11-27

1. **Get the _____!**
 - What is this story about? Vs 11?
 - Who does the nobleman picture in Vs 12?
 - Servants?
They are gifted (Acts 1:8) and commissioned to "occupy" until His return.
To occupy is to trade. See Vs 15. In what?

Remember: Matt 28:18-20, Acts 1:8 - this is THE mission. There is nothing else.

2. **"Occupy" = _____.**

If we are going to be faithful stewards over the investment of our Nobleman, we are to take our time, talents, treasure and spiritual gifting - to trade for souls of our Lord!



3. Our _____ world. Vs 14

We are seeing that play out in the news today. This world is under the sway of an antichrist spirit.
1Jn 2:16-18, 2Jn 1:7, 1Jn 5:19

4. Our future _____. Vs 15-19

- Here is the picture: Rapture, resurrection of the church to the JSOC.
- **The picture:** _____ of Christ.
We'll see that WHEN? **Your homework. 1 Cor 3:1-16.**
- The LORD wants to know – “How did we prosper in multiplying His _____?”
Rom 14:10-12

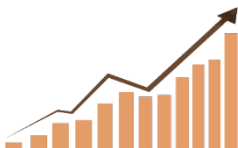
This is key: Luk 16:10-12, Rom 8:15-18

Faithful stewards multiply the Lord's investment. Souls are multiplied into Christ's kingdom.

- Matt 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, etc... is obeyed / fulfilled.
- We take what Christ has given us – salvation, gifting of the Spirit, time, talent and treasure and we TRANSMUTE it into more souls. We multiply the Lord's investment in us.

What about those that don't?

5. FEAR'S _____. Vs 20-27

- Why is the wicked servant not occupying / trading for souls / multiplying the investment of His Lord?
Fear. Vs 21
“Austere” – rough, severe. The Lord is a hard man. But He is a Blessor!
- He isn't a faithful steward. He isn't living for his Lord. He is marking time, just sitting on the Lord's investment. Why did he bury it?
- 2 Tim 1:6-11
- **There is ONLY the mission! Multiply His investment!** 
- **The wicked (fearful) steward didn't want to be _____!** Vs 22-23, Luke 6:46
- Note: the talent is given to the guy that can turn a profit! Vs 24-26, 1Co 3:13-15, Matt 25:28-30
Remember: The “day of the Lord” the millennial reign of Christ. See vs. Matt 25:31 for context.
Pic: J.S. of C: **Luk 12:47**, Rom 8:15-18
- Vs 27 – see Rev 19.

Rom 12:3-8 – you are gifted as part of a body to fulfill The Mission. Make disciples that go and do the same. Your how life (Rom 12:1-2 – reasonable, living sacrifice) is to be poured out to see the mission thru.

How are you all in? What is worth DYING for (Rom 12:1-2) – nothing? Then you have nothing worth living for! You aren't living – just existing! Who are the stewards at MBT that are OBESSING about our Lord's mission in this church?

Everything, All of it, All in, Whatever, Wherever, Whenever, However!

What is your next step? D1, D2, Kidtown, LFBI, Small Group Bible Study?

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