

WEEK 9 THE HABIT OF STEWARDSHIP

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TEXT: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5

WHAT IS A STEWARD

OIKONOMOS—A HOUSE-DISTRIBUTOR; MANAGER; ONE WHO CARES FOR THE POSSESSION OR PROVISIONS OF ANOTHER

GOD OWNS EVERYTHING

The earth is the LORD'S, and all its fullness, The world and those who dwell therein. Psalm 24:1 (NKJV)

ALL WEALTH AND ABILITY COMES FROM GOD

And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NKJV)

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. James 1:17 (NKJV)

MANAGING THE TIME, MONEY AND RESOURCES THE LORD HAS ENTRUSTED TO US

WHAT KIND OF STEWARD ARE YOU?

NON-RESPONSIBLE

INNOCENCE

CHILDREN

PEOPLE WITH LITTLE OR NO ABILITY TO GRASP TRUTH

PROBLEM—LEARNING AND UNDERSTANDING

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 1 Corinthians 13:11 (NKJV)

IRRESPONSIBLE

DISOBEDIENT

UNFAITHFUL

REBELLIOUS

Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin. James 4:17 (NKJV)

RESPONSIBLE

THE FAITHFUL STEWARD

That we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,¹⁵ but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head--Christ-- Ephesians 4:14-15 (NKJV)

THE TITHE IS A 10% REMINDER THAT GOD OWNS AND PROVIDES ALL

WE WILL ALL GIVE AN ACCOUNT

So then each of us shall give account of himself to God. Romans 14:12 (NKJV)

And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season?"⁴³ Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Luke 12:42-43 (NKJV)

A GRATEFUL HEART

AN ATTITUDE OF HUMILITY

A CONTENT SPIRIT