

Sermon Title:

"The Concept of Biblical Stewardship?"

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Sermon Text:

Matthew 25:14-30

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Introduction:

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Of all of the words that are used to describe a Christian, there is one word that is all too often overlooked, and that word is the word "steward."

- **Biblical Stewardship is** *"the use of God-given _____ for the accomplishment of God-given _____ and _____."*
- Our lives must be governed by an understanding of two unchanging biblical truths:

I. God's _____ Is All About _____ (25:14-15)

- *The fundamental principle that rings loud and clear is that God owns _____!*
- *Deuteronomy 10:14; I Chronicles 29:11, 13-14; Psalm 24:1; 50:10-12; Ezekiel 18:4; Haggai 2:8; I Corinthians 6:19-20; 10:25-26*

As the _____ of all things, He is the _____ of all things!

- *The fact that God owns it all sure puts _____ in biblical perspective!*

A. He has given us everything that we _____ (v. 15a)

- What are the talents that are mentioned here?

"God has given you and me exactly what He wants us to have."

- *I Corinthians 4:7*

B. He has given us exactly what we can _____ (v. 15b)

- There is a balance here between God's _____ and our _____!

"The issue is not how much has God entrusted to us – but what are we doing with what He has entrusted to us!"

II. Our _____ Is All About _____ (25:16-19)

- *If God owns it all, then what am I doing with it?*

A. The steward's _____

- There are two ways that we should view the things that God has entrusted to us:

1. *We should view them as a* _____

This means:

2. *We should view them as being a* _____

This means:

“Can God trust us with what belongs to Him?”

B. The steward's _____ (25:19-30)

- As Christian stewards, each of us must give an account to the Lord – not so much for what we have _____, but for what we have _____ with what we have been given!

What we do with what is entrusted to us is important to _____! (Luke 12:42-46)

What we do with what is entrusted to us is important to _____! (Acts 4:34)

What we do with what is entrusted to us is important to _____! (Matthew 6:19-20)

Conclusion:

Stewardship isn't so much about _____ as it is about _____.
It doesn't start in your _____ until it starts in your _____.