

GULF SHORES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Ancient Words: Favorite Bible Words

Stewardship

Introduction:

1. What do you think of when I mention the word “stewardship”?
2. Do you know the biblical concept of stewardship?
3. The word “steward” is found sixteen times in the NKJV.
4. It is listed as a quality for an elder in **Titus 1:7**.
5. **Luke 12:42-48**
6. A steward is one who is in charge of his master’s possessions.
7. That tells us two things:
 - 1) what the steward has is not his own,
 - 2) the steward will give an account for everything he uses.
8. The early church was a giving church, a sacrificial church, and church that met the needs of its community.
9. What can you do to ensure that you are a good steward of God?

Discussion:

I. The Sacrificial Stewardship of Your Temple

- A. We belong to God.
I Corinthians 6:15-20
- B. We are controlled by God.
Galatians 5:23
- C. We have been purchased by God.
I Peter 1:17-19
- D. We have been cleansed by God.
Revelation 1:5

II. The Sacrificial Stewardship of Your Talents

- A. We are given talents by God.
Matthew 25
- B. We are warned to use them.
Luke 10:30-32
- C. We are given the ability.
I Corinthians 12:13-27
- D. We are given the command.
Ephesians 4:11-16

III. The Sacrificial Stewardship of Your Time

- A. We are given the same amount (24/7/365).
Hebrews 9:27
- B. We are to redeem the time.
Ephesians 5:16-17
- C. We are blessed with this time.
Hebrews 1:2
- D. We are warned to use it.
James 4:14

IV. The Sacrificial Stewardship of Your Toil

A. We are indebted to God.

Romans 1:14-16

B. We must be faithful in work.

I Corinthians 4:1-2

C. We are commanded to serve.

Philippians 2:5-8

D. We are to be like Christ.

I Peter 2:21-25

Conclusion:

1. Are you a good steward of God?
2. God is too good to you to get your leftovers!
3. Give Him your best. He deserves it!