

RECOVERING OUR LOST LEGACY

The Principle of Stewardship

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If you grab this principle and lock onto it, your life will be changed forever! Understand who God is. You are a steward and not an owner.

Introduction

Characteristics of the person who doesn't understand the *Principle of Stewardship*:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Five Principles

1. God's role is that of a "Master."
Luke 12:42
2. Your role is that of a "Manager".
Luke 12:42
3. The parent's role is to make the children independent of their parents and dependent on God.
4. Your performance will someday be evaluated.
Luke 12:43
5. Your potential is a promotion to responsibility.
Luke 12:44,48

Essential Principle

We are "Managers" and not "Owners." God gave us TIME, ENERGY, EFFORT & MONEY on loan. Your performance is going to be affected by whether you understand this or not.

EX. APPROACH	OUTCOME
1 Informed, Responsible	Promotion
2 Informed, Self-serving	Demotion
3 Informed, Irresponsible	Strong Discipline
4 Uninformed, Irresponsible	Light Discipline

Practical Application

I Corinthians 4:2-5

- 1 Determine who owns what you have.
- 2 Discover His agenda for His assets.
- 3 Declare a limit on personal expenses.
- 4 Design accountability into the system.
- 5 Distribute the profits as He directs.