

“Is It Mine or His? ... Yes!”



MATTHEW 25:14-29

Life Question



What is stewardship and how
does it apply to me as a
believer?

Stewardship Redefined



- “Steward” occurs at least 20 times in the Bible.
- OT usage: one who oversees or holds as a possession. Genesis 43:19, 15:2
- NT usage: to manage a dwelling. I Corinthians 14:2, Luke 16:1-2

What is biblical stewardship?



Carefully, responsibly, and biblically
managing that which God has
entrusted to us in order to fulfill
His mission and purpose.

Stewardship Realized



- Realize that God owns everything.
Genesis 1:1, Colossians 1:16
- Realize that God gives everything.
Genesis 1:26-28, James 1:17-18
- Realize that God judges everything.
Ecclesiastes 3:14-15, Romans 14:12

Steward's Response



- Love God more than “stuff”.
John 21:15, I Timothy 6:10
- Commit to contentment.
Philippians 4:11, I Timothy 6:6-12
- Put God 1st in all areas of my life.
Romans 12:1-2, Matthew 6:33,
Proverbs 19:21

Applications



1. Understand that my worth is based on God's unconditional love, not on what I have.
2. Keep God in His rightful place ... 1st place.
3. Manage what God has given me now with excellence.
4. Consecrate self & my possessions to God's service.