

Stewardship

Steward - "A man employed in great families to manage the domestic concerns, superintend the other servants, collect the rents or income, keep the accounts, etc." (Webster's Dictionary 1828) (compare **Ge 44:1,2**, **1Ch 28:1**, and **Mt 20:8**)

God Owns Everything

God owns everything. (**Ex 19:5**, **Lev 25:23**, **Dt 10:14**, **1Ch 29:11**, **Job 41:11**, **Ps 24:1**, **Ps 50:7-14**, **1Co 10:26**, **Col 1:16**)

We are Stewards of His Creation (the Earth)

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We are Stewards of His Temple (Our Body)

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We are Stewards of His Body (Our Abilities)

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We are Stewards of His Resources (Our Material Goods)

We are to trust God for our support (our material goods). (**Dt 8:18**, **Ps 23:1-6**, **Isa 48:17**, **Mt 6:25-34**)

We are blessed through giving. (**Lk 6:38**, **2Co 9:6,7**)

We should not store up treasures on earth. (**Mt 6:19-21**, **Lk 12:15-21**, **Lk 12:32-34**, **1Ti 6:9,10**, **Rev 3:14-19**)

We are to give tithes and offerings to support the ministries of God's church.

Tithes (**Ge 28:20-22**, **Lev 27:30,32**, **Nu 18:21,26**, **Hag 1:7-11**, **Mal 3:8-10**)

Offerings (**Ex 36:2-7**, **Dt 16:16,17**, **Ac 10:1-4**, **2Co 8:1-4,12-14**)

We are Stewards of His Time (Our Time)

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We are Stewards of His Character (the Character of Jesus)

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Judgment, mercy, and faith are more significant than tithes. (**Mt 23:23**)

Obedience, judgment, mercy, knowledge of God, and love are more significant than offerings. (**1Sa 15:22**, **Isa 1:11-17**, **Hos 6:6**, **Mk 12:32-34**, **1Co 13:3**, **Heb 10:6,7**)

We are Stewards of His Grace (the Gospel)

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God Expects His Stewards to Produce Fruit

God expects His stewards to produce fruit. (**Mt 25:14-30**, **Lk 12:42-48**)

The measure of giving is the degree of sacrifice. (**Lk 21:1-3**)
