

Stewardship

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1. Stewarding the earth.

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."
Genesis 1:26 (NIV)

The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains, The world, and those who dwell in it.
Psalm 24:1 (NASB)

2. Stewarding time.

Teach us to realize the brevity of life, so that we may grow in wisdom.
Psalm 90:12 (NLT)

*"LORD, remind me how brief my time on earth will be. Remind me that my days are numbered— how fleeting my life is. ⁵ You have made my life no longer than the width of my hand. My entire lifetime is just a moment to you; at best, each of us is but a breath."
Psalm 39:4-5 (NLT)*

*So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. ¹⁶ Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days.
Ephesians 5:15-16 (NLT)*

3. Stewarding our finances.

*"In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"
Acts 20:35 (NASB)*

*You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; ¹⁶ for even in Thessalonica you sent a gift more than once for my needs. ¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account.
Philippians 4:15-17 (NASB)*

Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷ Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed;

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NASB)

"Will a man rob God? Yet you are robbing Me! But you say, 'How have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. ⁹ "You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing Me, the whole nation of you! ¹⁰ "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this," says the LORD of hosts, "if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows. ¹¹ "Then I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of the ground; nor will your vine in the field cast its grapes," says the LORD of hosts. ¹² "All the nations will call you blessed, for you shall be a delightful land," says the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 3:8-12 (NASB)

*So then each one of us will give an account of himself to God.
Romans 14:12 (NASB)*

Notes
