

**MONEY TALKS PART 3 ~ STEWARDSHIP 101**  
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Stewardship: the responsibility of managing the money, property, land, or other resources of another person. Stewardship is an entrustment

Stewardship is a Dominant Theme in the Teachings of Jesus and Paul

- Matthew 25:14-30 (using your abilities to increase what you've been given); Luke 10:25-37 (Good Samaritan; willingness to take risks to help others with what you have blessed with); Luke 16:1-12 (faithfulness with someone else's property); Matthew 13:1-9 (we are stewards of God's word as we respond to it in our own lives); I Corinthians 4:1 (preachers and teacher are considered stewards of the mysteries of God); I Peter 4:10 (every Christian is called to serve others as good stewards of the diverse grace of God); I Corinthians 3:12-15 (our entire life as a Christian is a stewardship)
- Jesus used the Gift entrusted to him to teach, preach, heal, empower, and set people free.
- Our life itself is a stewardship

**Reality Check**

A wise steward understands that God **OWNS EVERYTHING**.

- Psalm 50:10-12; Haggai 2:8; I Timothy 6:10

**Four Things You Can Do With Money as a Steward of God**

- **SPEND** it: (using money to buy necessities, desires, wants, useful things or useless things etc.)
  - Ecclesiastes 5:18-19 [Amplified Bible]
- **SAVE** it: (delay spending, and setting aside money to become an asset in your future)
  - Proverbs 21:20
  - Genesis 41:34-37
- **GIVE** it: (use money to affect the work of God in the earth through the local church and various Kingdom projects, and to store up eternal rewards - e.g; being a tither, giving offerings; giving to the poor; blessing others financial as God leads you; building churches/schools, orphanages, colleges; funding a college scholarship; other philanthropic endeavors, etc.)
  - II Corinthians 9:6-12 [Amplified]

- **INVEST** it: (strategic commitment of money in the present for the purpose of earning a financial return {increase} future; e.g. starting a business, buying real estate, developing and bringing a product, service, invention, or proprietary knowledge to market, going to “back to school” or obtaining a degree/advanced degree or specialized knowledge or a certification, “strategic-giving/” toward Kingdom projects/assignments that will bless others in the future)
  - Luke 19:13

### **The Power of Affluence**

- Affluence = **INFLUENCE**
- Three Types of Affluence
  - Affluence through **CORRUPTION**
  - Affluence through **HUMAN WISDOM, UNDERSTANDING & HUSTLE**
  - Affluence through **DIVINE ENABLEMENT**

### **God Wants to Promote Every Steward in His/Her Stewardship**

- Matthew 25:21; Mark 4:31-31; Luke 19:12-13; 16-17
- God looks at how you handle what you presently have to determine if you can be trusted with more by His Divine enablement

Money is a **SPIRITUAL** test for determining if we can manage more influence more

- Luke 16:10-12

### **Five Important Qualities of a Promotable Steward**

- **HUMILITY** Psalm 24:1; Psalm 50:12; I Peter 5:6
- **FAITHFULNESS** Matthew 25:21
- **WISDOM** I Kings 3:4-13
- **COURAGE** Joshua 1:6-7
- **LOVE/COMPASSION** Luke 10:25-37