

JESUS...WHAT'S THE STORY?

Parable of the Shrewd Manager

Luke 16:1-14

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Bottom Line:

Money is a tool and a test for those who follow Christ. Our calling is to use all our resources in a way that honors Christ and reflects our devotion to Him!

1. Error #1: To focus your life on _____ instead of relationships. Luke 16:1-4; 1 Timothy 6:9-10

2. Error #2: To focus your life on the _____ instead of the eternal. Luke 16:5-14

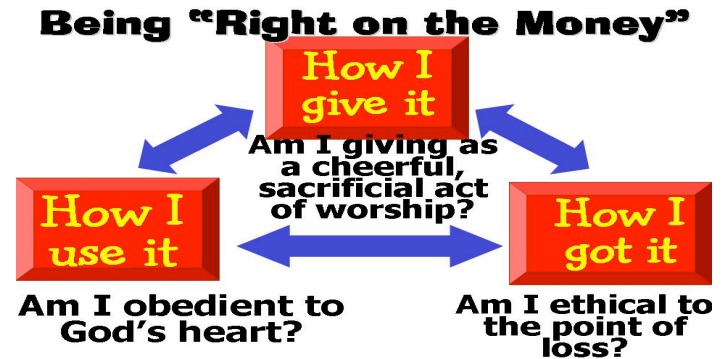
- V. 8 Principle: *Know what God _____ using resources as a reflection of our love for God.*

| <u>The Law</u> | <u>God's Heart</u> |
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| • Shall not murder | • Angry with his brother is guilty (Matt. 5:22) |
| • Shall not commit adultery | • Look on a woman to lust has committed adultery in his heart (Matt. 5:28) |
| • Tithing to the Lord | Give: (2 Cor. 8-9) 1) Cheerfully 2 Cor.9:7 2) Worshipfully 2 Cor. 9:11 3) Sacrificially 2 Cor. 8:11 according to your means |

- V. 9 Principle: *We need _____ resources with the end (eternity) in mind.*

- V. 10 Principle: *If you can't be _____ in something small like money, then you won't be faithful in something important like building God's kingdom.*

- V. 11 Principle: *Money is a _____ of your heart and what you truly love. If you fail that test in the area of money, then you will never experience the true blessings of a heart fully devoted to God.*



- V. 12 Principle: *If you can't be faithful when there is high _____, how can you be faithful when there isn't?*

- V. 13 Principle: *You must choose your _____ and who you will devote your life to.*

Conclusion:

- 1) _____ God in your giving. (priority)
- 2) Give _____, worshipfully, and sacrificially. (faith-full) 2 Corinthians 9:7-11
- 3) Establish a home _____ and stick to it. (discipline) Proverbs 21:20
- 4) Be _____ for what you have. (contentment) Hebrews 13:5