

# LIFE CLASS

## “Stewards of God's Blessings”

### Lesson 7

Steward: - “primarily denotes the manager of a household or estate”, Entrusted with the goods and affairs of another.

He oversees and administers the affairs of his Master for the Master’s benefit.

He is answerable to his Master,

His work either honors or dishonors his Master

Example:

**Gen. 39:4** So Joseph found favor in his sight and became his personal servant; and he made him overseer over his house, and put him in charge of all that he owned. 5 It came about that from the time he made him overseer in his house and over all that he owned, the Lord blessed the Egyptian’s house on account of Joseph; so the Lord’s blessing was upon all that he owned, in the house and in the field. 6 So he left Joseph in charge of everything that he owned; and with him there he did not concern himself with anything except the food which he ate.

*Christians should make the best employees.*

**Col 3:22** Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God:

23 And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; 24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. 25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

Obey God over all - **Acts 5:29** But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men.

*We must see ourselves as stewards of God who has appointed us over His goods.*

Requirement

**1Cor. 4:2** In this case, moreover, it is required of stewards that one be found **trustworthy**.

Stewardship of time

**Eph. 5:15** So then, be careful how you walk, not as unwise people but as wise, 16 making the most of your time (*redeeming*), because the days are evil. (*rescue from waste*)

Stewardship of Possessions

**Matthew 25:26** “But his master answered and said to him, ‘You worthless, lazy slave! Did you know that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter seed? 27 Then you ought to have put my money in the bank, and on my arrival I would have received my money back with interest. 28 Therefore: take the talent away from him, and give it to the one who has the ten talents.’

Stewardship of Physical Health

**1 Corinthians 6:20** For you have been bought for a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

No exemptions;

**Rom 14:12** So then **every** one of us shall give account of himself to God.