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The Blessed Hope



Secure Your Supply



Grow Your Stewardship



Prepare for the Judgement Seat


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14 “Again, the Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a man going on a long
trip. He called together his servants and entrusted his money to them while he was gone. 15 He
gave five bags of silver to one, two bags of silver to another, and one bag of silver to the last
—dividing it in proportion to their abilities. He then left on his trip. 16 “The servant who
received the five bags of silver began to invest the money and earned five more. 17 The
servant with two bags of silver also went to work and earned two more. 18 But the servant
who received the one bag of silver dug a hole in the ground and hid the master’s money. 19
“After a long time their master returned from his trip and called them to give an account of
how they had used his money. 20 The servant to whom he had entrusted the five bags of silver
came forward with five more and said, ‘Master, you gave me five bags of silver to invest, and
I have earned five more.’

Matthew 25:14–20 (NLT)

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21 “The master was full of praise. ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’

22 “The servant who had received the two bags of silver came forward and said, ‘Master, you gave me two bags of silver to invest, and I have earned two more.’ 23 “The master said, ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’

24 “Then the servant with the one bag of silver came and said, ‘Master, I knew you were a harsh man, harvesting crops you didn’t plant and gathering crops you didn’t cultivate. 25 I was afraid I would lose your money, so I hid it in the earth. Look, here is your money back.’

Matthew 25:21–25 (NLT)

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[26] “But the master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy servant! If you knew I harvested crops I
didn’t plant and gathered crops I didn’t cultivate, [27] why didn’t you deposit my money in the
bank? At least I could have gotten some interest on it.’
[28] “Then he ordered, ‘Take the money from this servant, and give it to the one with the ten
bags of silver. [29] To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and
they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will
be taken away. [30] Now throw this useless servant into outer darkness, where there will be
weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

Matthew 25:26–30 (NLT)

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Three Keys to Stewardship

1. The Master
2. The Servant
3. The Stewardship



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STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is the disciplined lifestyle of growing what God has entrusted to us.

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Matthew 25:16-17

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HE DIDN'T LOSE IT...

HE JUST DECIDED NOT TO GROW IT.

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Matthew 25:24–27

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What has God Entrusted to You?

- Relationships
- Responsibilities
- Resources
- Calling
- Self



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RELATIONSHIPS



The Lord



Spouse



Children



Family

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Luke 12:42–43 (ESV)

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RESPONSIBILITIES

- Job
- Education
- Household
- Commitments

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RESOURCES



Time



Talents



Treasure

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CALLING

- Spiritual Gifts
- Ministry Assignment
- Faithful Obedience

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SELF



Spiritual



Emotional



Mental



Physical

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