## PASTOR STUART BOYER 1 Cor. 4:1-2

# The Faithful Steward Part 1

Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. 2 Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

1 Cor 4:1-2 (NKJV)

- Q: What does it mean for Christians to be faithful? God wants His people to be faithful and true.
  - He wants us to be true to our word.
  - He wants us dependable in keeping our appointments.

#### The Faithful Steward:

- Faithful Christians live a pattern of promise keeping.
- Remaining a faithful steward is a characteristic of saints. Eph. 1:1; Rev.17:14
- Faithfulness is a fruit of the Spirit, Gal. 5:22-23
  - God is the One who provides opportunities to us.
  - We can choose to be faithful and obedient with the opportunities He gives us.
  - But we cannot control the outcomes.
  - Opportunity, obedience and outcome;
     we only have control over obedience

- Faithfulness should be exhibited in:
  - The service of God. Matt.24:45
  - Declaring the word of God. Jer.23:28; 2
     Cor. 2:17
  - The care of dedicated things. 2 Chron. 31:12
  - o Helping the brethren. 3 John 1:5
  - o Bearing witness. Prov. 14:5
  - Reproving/Exhorting others, Prov. 27:6;
     Heb. 3:13
  - o Situations of trust. Acts 6:1-3
  - o Doing work, 2 Chron, 34:12; 2Ch 34:12
  - o Keeping secrets. Prov.11:13
  - o Conveying messages, Prov.13:17
  - o All things, 1 Tim. 3:11
  - o The smallest matters. Luke 16:10-12
  - o Should be to death. Rev. 2:10
- The wicked are devoid of faithfulness, Ps, 5:9
- Associate with those who exhibit faithfulness. Ps. 101:6
- Blessedness of faithfulness, 1 Sam. 26:23; Mt 24:45,46, Mt 25:21,23

#### In closing...

God requires our **faithfulness**- By His Spirit we can remain **faithful** in all things.

...my will, for you in this case, is that you decide on your own.
-Dallas Willard

### FOR FURTHER STUDY:

## Digging Deeper

How do you respond when you are requested to do a more than less desirable task? Explain.

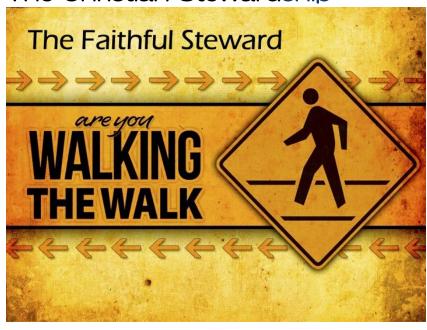
Explain about an event in which it was more important for you to remain faithful at the cost of your own pain and trouble.

Don't waste your time waiting and longing for large opportunities which may never come.

But faithfully handle the little things that are always claiming your attention.

- FB Meyer

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