Not Yours Week 4

Have you ever been handed something valuable and told: "Be careful, it's not yours"? Those words change how we treat what's in our hands.

When something is not yours:

- You slow down
- You hold it differently
- You treat it with intention and purpose
- You become aware, responsible, mindful

God says the same thing to us every day about what He places in our hands.

What God Has Entrusted to You - Everything we hold is not ours:

- Your time not yours
- Your talents/abilities not yours
- Your money not yours
- Your family & friendships not yours
- Your influence not yours
- Your life & testimony not yours

We are not owners — we are stewards. God entrusts these things to us for His glory.

1. Stewarding Our Time - Biblical stewardship begins by seeing our time with God's eyes.

We often think time is stored inventory:

• "I have years left..." "I have decades..."

But time is not guaranteed. Time is a daily gift — 24 hours at a time. If today was your only 24 hours, how would you use it? "Time is not ours to spend; it is God's to steward."

Psalm 118:24 (NKJV) - This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Before time with family, work, or responsibilities — we first steward our time with God.

2. Seeking God First - Matthew 6:33 - Seek first His kingdom...

How do we seek God first?

- 1) Through the Word Start the day hearing from God.
- 2) Through Prayer Psalm 5:3 "In the morning... I lay my requests before You."
- 3) By Committing Your Day to God Proverbs 16:3 "Commit to the Lord whatever you do..."

How you invest the first part of your day sets the tone for all of your day.

3. Stewarding Time at Work/School

Your job or school isn't just a place you go — it's a gift from God to steward. It provides for your family and gives you a platform for purpose. You aren't there just to make money. You are there to grow God's Kingdom through your character.

You pastor others through your Christlike character, not preaching—by being calm, kind, hopeful, and consistent.

You pastor through serving, helping those who are overwhelmed, encouraging others, listening well, and stepping into tasks others avoid.

You pastor through excellence, working with all your heart as unto the Lord (Colossians 3:23–24)

When you live this way, people begin to open up: "I'm struggling.", "I don't know what to do.", "Can you pray for me?"

That is your moment—to pray with them, share Scripture, offer Christ-centered encouragement, or share your testimony.

Time can't be recovered once it's spent—so steward it with purpose.

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Coming up:

- No children ministries
 on Wed 11/26
- Baptism Sunday11/30
- Christmas EveCandlelight Services:

10am, 12pm, 2pm & 4pm

Sign up on the CFItte App

- To Serve
- Submit prayer requests
- Join a small group

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- New Believer's Class
- Next Steps Class
- My Story Training

