

IN GOD WE TRUST BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Bible Study Lesson: The Second set of 11 Laws of Stewardship

Based on 'The 33 Laws of Stewardship' by Dave Sutherland and Kirk Nowery

Lesson Title: Foundations of Faithful Stewardship

Scripture Focus: 1 Corinthians 4:2 – 'Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.'

Main Idea: The second set of 11 laws of stewardship lay the foundation for a life that honors God with all He has entrusted to us. These principles help us understand our role, responsibility, and relationship to the resources God provides.

Overview of the second set of 11 Laws:

12. The Law of Purposeful Possession

God has a purpose for everything He entrusts to us. Stewardship is about aligning our use of resources with His divine purpose.

Scripture Reference: Ephesians 2:10

Application: Ask yourself if you are using your time, money, and abilities to fulfill God's purpose for your life.

13. The Law of Generational Influence

Our stewardship impacts future generations. What we do with our time, talents, and treasures today shapes the spiritual and material legacy we leave behind.

Scripture Reference: Deuteronomy 6:6-7

Application: Consider how your financial and spiritual decisions influence your children and community. Are you modeling godly stewardship?

14. The Law of Guaranteed Return

God blesses faithful stewardship, often in ways we do not expect.

Scripture Reference: Luke 6:38

Application: Trust that God sees your faithfulness and will reward it in His timing and manner.

15. The Law of Use

Whatever you do not use for God's purposes, you may lose.

Scripture Reference: Matthew 25:14-30 (Parable of the Talents)

Application: Identify unused talents or resources you have. How can you begin using them for God's glory?

16. The Law of Heartful Humility

Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Putting others first makes an impact that will last.

Scripture Reference: Matthew 6:21

Application: Let your giving and stewardship reflect your love for God. Align your heart with His priorities.

17. The Law of the Open Hand

Stewardship requires a generous and open-handed spirit.

Scripture Reference: Proverbs 11:24-25

Application: Practice generosity this week. Ask God to show you someone in need you can bless.

18. The Law of Funnel

God channels resources through those He can trust to distribute them wisely.

Scripture Reference: 2 Corinthians 9:10-11

Application: Are you a trustworthy funnel for God's blessings? How can you become a better channel of His provision?

19. The Law of Eternal Perspective

Stewardship must be guided by eternity, not just the present.

Scripture Reference: Colossians 3:1-2

Application: Ask yourself: Will this decision matter in eternity? Let eternal values guide your financial and life choices.

20. The Law of First Fruits

God deserves our first and best, not our leftovers.

Scripture Reference: Proverbs 3:9-10

Application: Commit to giving God the first portion of your income, time, and energy as an act of worship and trust.

21. The Law of Faithfulness

Faithfulness in small things leads to greater responsibility.

Scripture Reference: Luke 16:10

Application: Be diligent in the everyday tasks God has given you, knowing He sees and values your faithfulness.

22. The Law of the Tithe

The tithe is a starting point for giving and a declaration that God comes first.

Scripture Reference: Malachi 3:10

Application: If you are not already tithing, prayerfully consider beginning this act of obedience and trust.

Closing Thought:

Stewardship is not just about money—it is about our entire life. As we embrace these first 11 laws, we begin to align our hearts with God's purposes and live as faithful stewards of all He has entrusted to us.