

The Management Shift

God's Got Receipts

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OPENING PRAYER

God, open our hearts today to hear Your truth about generosity and teach us to trust You with everything we have.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Matthew 25:14-30

Psalm 24:1

1 Peter 4:10

Romans 14:12

2 Corinthians 5:10

Matthew 6:19-20

KEY TAKE AWAYS

1. Everything belongs to God
2. God trusts us to manage what He gives us
3. How we view God determines how we manage
4. We will give an account for how we managed
5. What we manage now impacts forever

QUESTIONS

- What's the difference between asking "What do I want to do with this?" versus "What does God want me to do with this?"
- In what areas of your life do you tend to have an "owner" mindset rather than a "steward" mindset?
- The servant who buried his talent said he was afraid. How does fear influence your decisions

about money, giving, and stewardship?

- What would change in your life if you managed resources based on faithfulness rather than fear?
- The master gave different amounts to each servant "according to his ability." How does this encourage you if you feel like you have "less" than others?
- How can comparison steal our joy in stewarding what God has given us?
- If you had to give God an account today of how you've stewarded your:
 - Time - How would that conversation go?
 - Talents/Gifts - Are you using them to serve others?
 - Treasure/Money - Are you generous or protective?

PRACTICE

This Week's Challenge:

Choose ONE of the following action steps to complete before your next meeting:

Option 1: Financial Stewardship

- Review your budget and ask: "What does God want me to do with this?" instead of "What do I want to do with this?"
- Commit to giving or increase your giving as an act of worship and trust

Option 2: Time Stewardship

- Audit your weekly schedule. Where are you acting like an owner vs. a steward?
- Identify one way to invest your time for eternal impact (serving, discipling, community)

Option 3: Talent Stewardship

- Identify one gift or ability God has given you that you're "burying"
- Take one step to use it to serve others or advance God's kingdom

Option 4: Possession Stewardship

- Choose something you own and ask: "How can I use this to bless others or point people to Jesus?"
- Practice generosity by sharing or giving away something valuable

CLOSING PRAYER

God, help us live with open hands and generous hearts, trusting that every seed we sow honors You and impacts eternity.

