

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



September 13, 2026

I. A Call to Worship

Shout with joy to the LORD, all the earth! Worship the LORD with gladness. Come before Him, singing with joy.
Psalm 100:1-2 (NLT)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

Entrusted

Everything we have has been entrusted to us by God. Our time, abilities, relationships, possessions, and lives belong to Him. We choose to be faithful stewards of all He has placed in our hands.

Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.

I Corinthians 4:2

III. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

The earth is the LORD'S, and everything in it."

Psalms 24:1



IV.

Week 1: Entrusted
Pastor Nick Preston

PRINCIPLE 1: WE'RE ENTRUSTED – NOT OWNERS

"A man going on a journey... called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them." – Matthew 25:14

WHAT HAS GOD ENTRUSTED TO YOU?

"To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one...."



PRINCIPLE 2: WE'RE ENTRUSTED – TO USE IT, NOT JUST PROTECT IT

PRINCIPLE 3: WE'RE ENTRUSTED – BUT FEAR CAN MAKE US BURY IT

"Master, I knew that you are a hard man... So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground."

PRINCIPLE 4: WE'RE ENTRUSTED – TO BE FAITHFUL, NOT EQUAL

"Well done, good and faithful servant."

PRINCIPLE 5: WE'RE ENTRUSTED – BECAUSE THE KING IS COMING BACK

Verse 19:

"After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them."

"Lord, what have you entrusted to me that You're asking me to steward more faithfully?"

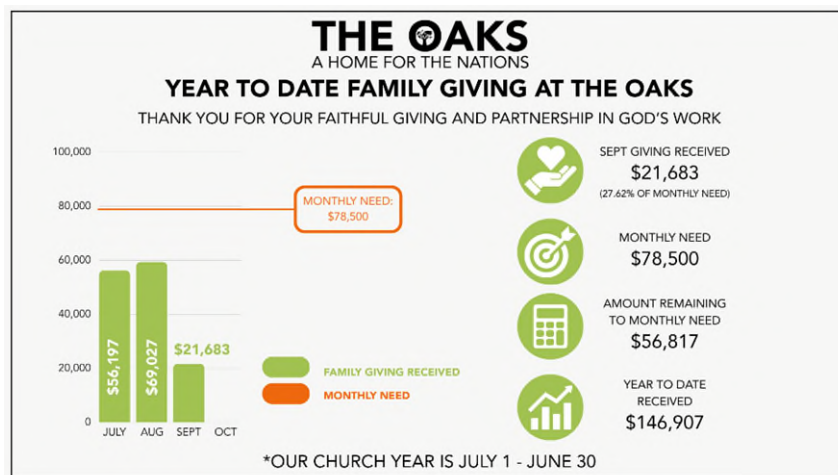
Community Group Questions:

Read: Matthew 25:14–30

1. Read Matthew 25:14–15. What has God entrusted to you that you sometimes treat as your own?
2. Read I Peter 4:10. Of the areas God has entrusted to you—time, family, gifts, finances, calling, etc.—which one needs more attention right now?
3. Read Matthew 25:16–18. Is what God has placed in your care flourishing? Why or why not?
4. Read Matthew 25:24–25. What fear might be keeping you from using something God has given you?
5. Read I Corinthians 4:2. Where are you tempted to compare yourself to others instead of focusing on being faithful?
6. Read Proverbs 3:5–6. Is there something you need to surrender to God instead of trying to control?
7. Read Matthew 25:21. What is one small step of faithfulness God may be asking you to take this week?

Personal Reflection Question:

“Lord, what have You entrusted to me, and what would faithfulness look like now?”



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