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Stewardship

What is Stewardship?

Stewardship *is an act of worship that involves managing God's resources entrusted to us effectively, generously, and faithfully for the glory of God.*

Who is God? Creator, Owner of all. Good.

"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" Ps. 24:1

"The cattle on a thousand hills are Mine." Psalm 50:9-10

Who are we? Created. Owned. Made for purpose.

Genesis 1:26-28. **Stewardship** over creation.

"His workmanship created…to do good works" Eph. 2:10

Matthew 25:14-18 (CSB)

14 “For it is just like a man about to go on a journey. He called his own servants and entrusted his possessions to them. 15 To one he gave five talents, to another two talents, and to another one talent, depending on each one’s ability.

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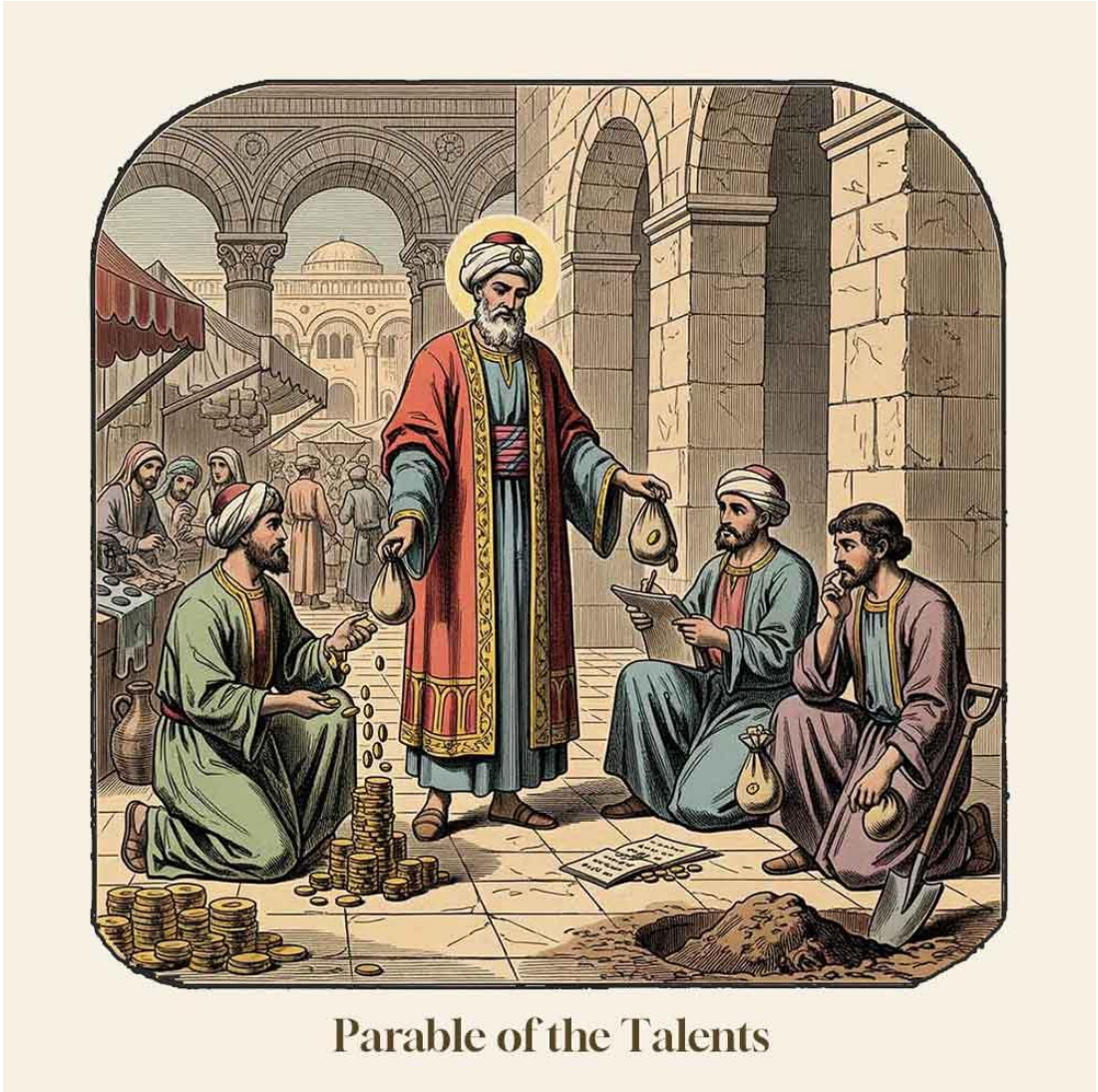
Then he went on a journey. Immediately
16 *the man who had received five talents*
went, put them to work, and earned five
more. ***17*** *In the same way the man with two*
earned two more. ***18*** *But the man who had*
received one talent went off, dug a hole in
the ground, and hid his master’s money.

3 Servants, 3 actions, 3 outcomes



What's the point?

- God is the owner of all things.
- He entrusts what He chooses to us for a limited time.
- The master is coming back.
- He will settle accounts.
- Are you ready?
- ***How we steward resources reveals much about our faith in Christ.***

What are we to do?

1. Acknowledge Reality: God owns everything. We own nothing.
2. Glorify God in how we use our:

a. Time

b. Treasure

c. Talents