



11am Bible Study: Pastor Will Lloyd, IV, M.T.S.






Topic: Heavenly Rewards - Session Four
Topical Series
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1.Life Management And Stewardship - We'll crave to serve God in Heaven. There's a **DIRECT CONNECTION** between how well we manage our life for God on earth, and how much our Lord will graciously allow us to serve Him in Heaven. **Stewards:** *are charged with managing their master's assets. There's a pattern in Jesus' stories where the steward is charged with managing something important for his master while the master is away for an extended period.*

Read: 1 Chronicles 29:10-15, NKJV,

Our: Spouses / Children / Homes / Cars / Jobs / Vocations Titles Careers / Bodies / Intellect / Money / Talents
 Spiritual Gifts / Personalities - **None of these belong to us, we're only Stewards of them.**

2.Parable of the Minas - Luke 19:11-27, NKJV - Read: Am I a Ten Mina steward?

Start	Key Events Of The Stewards			*End*
				
The commission of the steward	The master leaves	<i>The opportunity of the steward</i>	The master returns	The reward of the steward

"We have been commissioned to manage an asset for our Master. Our asset is our life, the sum of our talents, strengths, personality, and interests. Our opportunity is to manage our life in such a way that we greatly increase our Master's kingdom. Our master has not yet returned, and everyday we should answer this question:

- **How will I steward what my Master has placed in my care? Everyday we're answering this question.**

Question For Dialogue: Is there an area where you've been unfaithful? Where can you be more faithful to God?

3.Parable of The Talents - Matthew 25:14-30, NKJV

-Notice the gifts/assets are given "according to his own ability." -Let us never again think of faithfully serving God as: *not sinning, *doing business as usual, or *not quitting.

Why will we desperately desire to serve God in Heaven? Because **"doing"** is a servant's **language of devotion.**

We need FAITH in order to be a good steward. 1 Corinthians 4:2, NKJV, 2 Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

4.Ruling In Heaven - God's rewards in Heaven for us aren't "general commendations" that will apply to everyone equally. Rather, our current faithfulness is able to change our **future opportunities for service in God's Kingdom.**

Note - In Heaven, more opportunity to do God's will through loving service will be our **(Highest Reward.)**

In Heaven, the highest word for **SERVING** is **RULING.** It's a return to the **dominion** commanded in Genesis 1:26. We'll Rule Over the New Heaven and New Earth (of Revelation 21:1) as God assigns us responsibilities. Remember Heaven isn't some pie in the sky existence without order. ***Rather, Heaven is a new perfect society that will need various roles, positions, and assigned responsibilities to rule and manage it well.*** Let's all seize every opportunity to fulfill our God-given calling on earth, so that when we get to Heaven we'll hear ***"well done good and faithful servant, rule over many things, and enter the joy of your Lord."***