SERMON OUTLINE

Managing God's money Luke 16:1-15

- I. Shrewd people of the world do what is needed to improve their financial future (Luke 16:1-8).
 - A. Jesus' financial accountability story: Realizing he was accountable for wasting his master's money, the steward used his position (dishonestly) to benefit his future (Luke 16:1-7). His master actually praised him (16:8a).
 - B. Jesus' financial planning principle: The world is wiser with money for selfish purposes than believers are for God's purposes (Luke 16:8b).
- II. Shrewd disciples use God's money to do what is best for eternity (Luke 16:9-15).
 A. Money can be invested in populating heaven (Luke 16:9; Matthew 6:19-20).
 - B. How we manage earthly wealth determines how much God trusts us with spiritual wealth (Luke 16:10-12).
 - "True riches" If we manage His money well God entrusts us with ministry impact now.
 - "Property of our own" If we manage His money well we are eternally rewarded.
 - C. Our management of God's money reveals the true state of our worship (Luke 16:13-15).

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