

NEW SERIES: GO TO THE BIBLE!

Lesson 2: Go to the Bible: Stewardship

- Stewardship means:
- We do not _____
- All is God's, but we have _____
- It includes how we use our _____
- _____

Why study Scripture:

- ¹⁶ _____ is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and _____ in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for _____
- 2 Timothy 3.14-16**

Stewardship – managing God's gifts to us

- A **biblical** world view of **stewardship** can be consciously defined as:
- "Utilizing and managing _____ God provides for _____ and the betterment of His creation."
 - [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stewardship_\(theology\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stewardship_(theology))

It's all God's in the first place!

- Psalm 24 Of David. A psalm.
- ¹The earth is the Lord's, and _____ the world, and all who live in it;

Rights vs _____

- Owners have _____
- stewards have _____
 - <https://tifwe.org/four-principles-of-biblical-stewardship/>

Peter teaches stewardship:

- ⁷The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may _____ ⁸ Above all, _____ because love covers over a multitude of sins.
- ⁹Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, *as _____ of God's _____ in its various forms.*

And Paul, too - Romans 12

- Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a _____ holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper _____
- ²Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the _____ Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Things to consider:

- Be _____ you have _____
- Is this a good use of _____
- How can I use _____ to _____

Use of time:

- ¹⁵Be _____ then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of every _____ because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Ephesians 5

Colossians 3:23 (NIV)

- ²³Whatever you do, work at it with _____, as working for _____ not for human masters,

Stewardship = _____

- Understanding the biblical principle of stewardship:
- Gives us greater _____ – it's God's and He will _____
- Helps us be more _____ – recognizing everything is a gift from a _____
- Gives us greater _____ – knowing our life has _____ and our future is _____
- Builds healthier _____ – it's not _____