# Core Seminars – Christian Discipleship Stewardship Week 7



## **Class Overview**

## **WEEK 1: STEWARDSHIP**

- Framing image: the parables of the talents (Matt 25).
- God owns everything; he gives us everything we have.
- We don't own what we own; we're his stewards.
- No stewardship means no faith!
- Faithful stewardship aims to glorify God.

## **WEEK 2: FAITHFULNESS**

- Working for faithfulness versus results.
- Pursuing profitable returns.

#### **WEEK 3: GENEROSITY**

- Why should Christians give?
  - o To show how great God is.
  - o To show how much God has given us.
- What should we give? Everything!
- How should we give? (Periodic, Personal, Planned, Progressive, Plentiful).

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## **WEEK 4: SPENDING**

- How much do I spend?  $\rightarrow$  need?  $\rightarrow$  lifestyle?
- Choosing a lifestyle.
  - o Goal: 1 Cor. 10:31. Do everything to God's glory.
  - o Trading off time, money, and relationships.
  - o Lifestyle should not necessarily follow income.
- Managing to a budget.

## **WEEK 5: DEBT & SAVINGS**

- Making decisions about the future.
- Debt: mortgaging the future.
  - o Debt as a form of slavery.
  - The wisdom of borrowing.
  - o Be able to unwind your obligations.
- Saving: enabling the future.
  - o The danger of hoarding.
  - o Budget your savings.

#### WEEK 6: MATERIALISM

- Fighting Materialism
  - o How to rightly enjoy things (1 Tim. 4:1-5, 6:17).
  - o Have a big view of God and eternity (Ps. 73:25-26).
  - o Give generously.
- Fighting Fear
  - o By resting in God (Phil. 4:6-7, Heb. 13:5-6).
  - o With Action (budget, job, training, talk with others).

## **NOTES**