

Are you a good steward of God's money?

Why not take a test to find out?

Well, I guess I should step back and chat a bit about whose money it is. If you take a look at the parable of the talents or at any of the other bible verses about stewardship, it becomes very clear that we are stewards of what God has given to us – be it our time, money, position, etc. But right now we are talking about our stewardship of God's money.



Also, the truth of the matter is that we came into the world with nothing and can't take anything with us. I like to look at this brief life as a test. What we do with what we've been given on earth is going to determine a lot about our future. Are we storing up treasures in Heaven (Matthew 6:20) or are we hoarding only to have less (Proverbs 11:24). For me, I am always looking for ways to become a better steward, which is why I was really excited about the next paragraph...

God's money manager

I recently was listening to a favorite preacher of mine and he had some great ideas about improving our stewardship. He was explaining how any good (or even decent) money manager knows where the money under his control goes. Think about it – if you called up your money manager and asked where your money was invested and he didn't know and had no way of finding out because it wasn't even documented anywhere – wouldn't you be concerned?

As stewards of God's money – shouldn't we at the very least know where it is all going?

Keeping track of it

He suggested getting a ledger sheet of paper and writing down the destination of every dollar that you spend for a week. I know from experience exercises like these are often eye-opening – especially to heavy spenders.

At the end of the week you can go over your list and look at how God's money was spent. What percentage was used to help people? How much was used to store up treasures in Heaven? How much was spent at Starbucks?!

Are you up for the challenge?

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