Shrewdness in the Christian Life
“Topics you always wanted a sermon on” series

Question: “The Unjust Steward – I heard a sermon years ago that made it all make sense but I don’t remember a word of it.”

PROPOSITION: Use material things for future spiritual benefit.

I. The parable & its questions
   Luke 16:1-9
   A. The situation of the parable
      B. The manager is wasteful, proud, dishonest, & lazy Lk 16:1-7
      C. Is Jesus applauding dishonesty here? Lk 16:8
      D. Manager prepares for the future
      E. Is Jesus telling us to “buy/bribe” friends? Lk 16:9
      F. Use the material for future spiritual benefit Lk 16:8-9

II. Jesus’ application and challenges
    (Shrewd means “having or showing sharp powers of judgment; astute.”)
    Luke 16:9-15
    A. Look at money & people different Lk 16:9
    B. Regularly prepare for eternal life Lk 16:10-12
    C. Be honest about who or what is in control of your life Lk 16:13
    D. How America might respond today Lk 16:14-15

III. Other applications of spiritual shrewdness