

Stewardship and the Kingdom of God

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Summary

Stewardship according to the Internet is taking care of something or supervising something. The definition of stewardship according to the Internet is taking care of something or supervising something. The reading of Stewardship and the kingdom of God gave important details about what Stewardship is about. The reading mentions the definition of Stewardship, the concept of Stewardship in the Old Testament and New Testament, four related concepts regarding Stewardship such as the Health and Wealth Gospel, the spirit of the tithe, and the stranglehold of debt spiritual warfare. Mark 1 : 15 mentions “ the kingdom of God is near. Jesus mentions this because humanity has fallen to sin. This reading reminds me of how The kingdom of God is always at hand. We as Christians must remember to take care of his people and serve others. With Stewardship comes the importance of discipleship. Serving in a mission field that you are called to serve requires that you will be a disciple of Jesus. Following In the principles of what Jesus taught is important. In the ministry of serving in the Kingdom of God, “ Good stewardship begins with the recognition that God is the owner of all things.”¹ (p13) Before starting an outreach it is important to acknowledge God in prayer. Realize that God owns everything. That is one principle. Another principle is we as

¹Walborn, Ronald and Chan, Frank Stewardship and the kingdom of God (Colorado Springs, CO 80920) 2001, p13

Christians are have the trust to use God's provision to care for his kingdom. We can see the example of the Parable of the talents found in Matthew 25: 15. I agree with what is mentioned in the reading of the Stewardship and kingdom of God. The ministry I am involved in reflects how I am using the principles of stewardship in this reading. I see this as reminders to always keep a vision of why I am serving in the kingdom of God. The concern for me reading about stewardship is about Spiritual warfare. The question that states " why are Christians resistant to the issues of Stewardship?"² (p19) Hard heartedness and ignorance are possible answers to the question (p19) I feel sometimes when Participating in an activity around the house of worship, " why Am I doing this?" I get reminded of Pharaoh's hardened heart in the Old Testament. The Spirit of the Tithe mentioned requires trust of person which then asks Person where is the faith? They go affirming that the whole belonged to God."³ (p 28) I have to change my way of thinking in the ministry so the ministry can thrive. Its an uncomfortable feeling to think of tithing trust. God entrusts me to his resources for his kingdom. Overall I agree with the points mentioned in this reading. I have gotten reminded through this reading how Good Stewardship will affect how the kingdom of God thrives for God's glory.

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