

Pursuing Excellence as a Daughter of the King “Faithful Steward”

She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
Proverbs 31:16

What is stewardship?

“Stewardship is the care and management of that which belongs to another. While we often speak of things as “ours,” the reality is that all that we have and all we are belongs to another — God.” (Donald Whitney from “The Gospel and Stewardship”)

The Proverbs 31 Woman - A Faithful Steward with a Pattern for Us to Follow First Step - CONSIDERS

Second Step - BUYS / ACTS

Third Step - PLANTS / REINVEST

Further Considerations for Faithful Stewardship

Discussion Questions

1. Everything that exists belongs to God (Psalm 24:1). Everything that we have is a gift from God (1 Cor. 4:7) and is to be stewarded for his glory. How do these truths impact the way you think about how to use the time, talents, and treasure God has entrusted to your care?
2. Can you think of a brother or sister in Christ who is a faithful steward of their time, talents, or treasure? Please share with the group how you have seen them steward their resources well.
3. Consider the resource of our talents.
 - a. What abilities has God given you? How can you use them for his glory?
 - b. What abilities can you cultivate to use for his glory?
 - c. Is God calling you to learn a new skill that you can use as a faithful steward? What might that skill be? How could it be used to glorify God?
 - d. Do you have a skill you can pass on to someone else?
4. Is there an area in your life where you see God producing fruit? Praise God for that fruit and consider with the group how you might reinvest that fruit.
5. How is it an encouragement to you that it is *God* who gives us the strength to be faithful stewards and it is *God* who produces the fruit?
6. In the Proverbs 31 woman we see a helpful paradigm to employ as we seek to be faithful stewards. She (1) considers, (2) acts, and (3) reinvests.
 - a. In which of these steps do you feel you are strongest? What are you doing well and why do you think this is the case?
 - b. In which of these steps do you feel you are the weakest? Consider with the group how you might grow in this area?