

Being Faithful with Our Resources – Luke 16:1-13

I. Wicked Men Use Their Resources For the Future(1-8a)

A. The dishonest manager faces consequences (1-2)

1. The boss employed a dishonest manager (1)
 - a. Rich man employed him to manage
 - b. Rich man heard he squandered his money
2. The boss called manager to give account (2a)
3. The boss fires the manager (2b)

B. The dishonest manager prepares for his future (3-7)

1. The manager feared being impoverished (3)
 - a. He became afraid
 - b. He was not strong enough to dig
 - c. He was too ashamed to beg
2. The manager begins to plan (4)
 - a. He know he will be removed
 - b. He plans so that people will care for him
3. The manager gains friends through deceit (5-7)
 - a. He called in his master's debtors(5)
 - b. He changed the amount they owed(6-7)
 - c. He stole from the boss and gave to the creditor

C. The dishonest manager is praised for his cleverness (8a)

1. He did not praise the act
 - a. "called unrighteous manager"
2. He praised his clever preparation

II. Righteous Men Don't Use Their Resources For the Future (8-12)

A. Managing Eternal Resources (9-12)

1. Use your resources to make eternal friends (9)
 - a. Jesus teaches from the Parable
 - you are going to need eternal friends (God, converts)
 - use what you have been given (worldly wealth)
 - Worldly wealth will eventually fail
 - You will need an eternal dwelling
2. The smallest Resources Have Eternal Consequences (10)
 - a. Faithful in a little = faithful in much
 - b. Unrighteous in a little = unrighteous in much
 - parable of talents
 - use what you have been given
3. The unfaithful with earthly won't be given heavenly
 - a. If you can't even be faithful with unrighteous wealth
 - b. Who will give you true riches?
4. The unfaithful with other's won't be given his own
 - a. We all take good care of our own stuff
 - b. Not so much other people's

III. All Men Use Their Resources To Serve Their Master (13)

A. No man can serve two masters

1. Hate one and love the other

2. Be devoted to one and not the other

B. No man can serve God and money