

Review: You are a Steward.

1. A Steward is someone that owns nothing, but governs everything. (whole Bible)
2. Stewards are free from many laws because they are directed by virtue. (Galatians 3)
3. Stewardship is a role, not a standing.
4. Stewardship is your identity in Christ. (Hebrews 3)

The heart of stewardship is being rich toward God
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1. A Steward must be vigilant against greed and covetousness.

"Watch and be vigilant against all kinds of greed/covetousness." - Luke 12:15

What did the Rich man do wrong?

Not	Did
• Greed/Envy	• Not stewarding to God
• Made a lot of poor manage	• Hoard everything
• Covetousness or greed	• Hoard everything
• Greed	



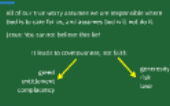
2. A Steward must face her materialistic anxieties



Ravens

Death

Flowers



remember
Matthew 13:12
The Kingdom of Heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field. When someone discovers it, he hides it and goes away and rejoices in it. And when he goes home, he sells everything he has and buys the field. The Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant who searches for pearls. When he finds a pearl of great value, he sells everything he has and buys it.

3. A steward must have faith in true wealth

If a steward is an investor, he must care about wealth, flourishing and value. This is why faith in Jesus and his kingdom is necessary for good stewardship. It defines true value.

Or: "Your treasure is what you treasure."

Jesus is the only one who can give us the wealth that we need for our lives. He is the only one who can give us the wealth that we need for our lives. He is the only one who can give us the wealth that we need for our lives.

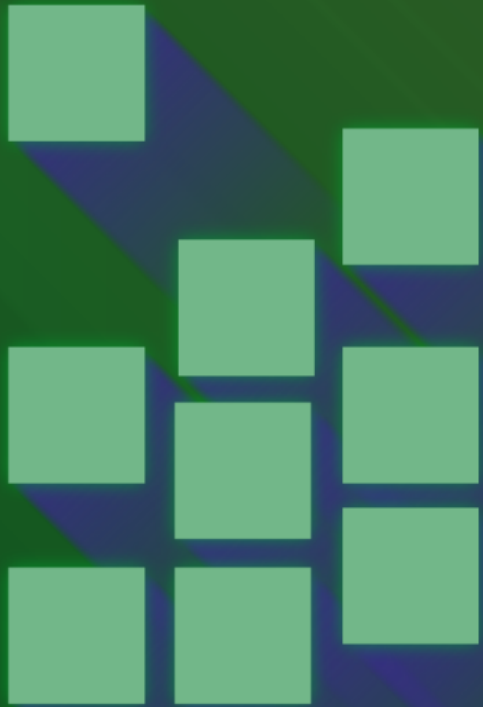
A Steward must be heavenly minded in her understanding of wealth and investment.

- heavenly and investment is good
- heavenly minded is the right heart of power and wealth.
- Trust leaders in a gift of God

Our generosity is rooted in the generosity of God; supremely as shown in Jesus.

Main point
Supporting argument text.

Jesus references
Jesus said



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Matthew 10:8

Freely you have received, freely give.

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What did the Rich man do wrong?

Not

- Simply be rich
- Make a lot of profit through competence or good fortune

Did

- Calls everything "mine"
- Keeps everything
- Rejects productivity

Luke 12:21

"This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God."

Greed and covetousness
are a ***rejection*** of stewardship

because they
are the ***reversal*** of stewardship

Greed

"I must own everything, and must govern nothing."

(for Covetousness, change "must" to "should")

Steward

"I own nothing, but govern everything."

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All of our true worry assumes we are responsible where God is to care for us, and assumes God will not do it.

Jesus: You cannot believe this lie!

It leads to covetousness, not faith.

greed
entitlement
complacency

generosity
risk
love

Remember:

Jesus and the Bible do not present **FAITH**
as the opposite of **REASON**, but as
the alternative to **FEAR.**

(Here he is appealing to reason to help us overcome fear with faith. Fear produces irrationality.)

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Luke 12:28-34

O you of little faith! And do not set your heart¹ on what you will eat or drink; do not worry² about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek³ his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you⁴ the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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