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Stewardship

A Lifestyle Approach

Stewardship Statistics

In the bible there are 40 verses on baptism, 275 verses on prayer, 350 verses on faith, 650 verses on love and 2,350 verses related directly to finances and material possessions.

Stewardship is what?

*Stewardship is managing
the resources of another
until they return
and ask for an accounting.*



*MOREOVER, IT IS REQUIRED THAT STEWARDS
BE FOUND FAITHFUL.*

Paul - 1 Corinthians 4:2



ARAGORN



D E N E T H O R



FAR AMIR



Suddenly Faramir stirred, and he opened his eyes, and he looked on Aragorn who bent over him; and a light of knowledge and love was kindled in his eyes, and he spoke softly. 'My lord, you called me. I come. What does the king command?'

— *J. R. R. Tolkien* —



*To me it would not seem that a Steward
who faithfully surrenders his charge
is diminished in love or in honor.*

Gandalf - The Return of the King



Stewardship

And the Lord replied, A faithful, sensible servant is one to whom the master can give the responsibility of managing his other household servants and feeding them. If the master returns and finds that the servant has done a good job, there will be a reward. I tell you the truth, the master will put that servant in charge of all he owns.

Luke 12:42-48 (NLT)

Stewardship - The King is Coming Back

Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids.

Matthew 25:1-13

Stewardship - The King is Coming Back

*Now, little children, abide in Him,
so that when He appears, we may have confidence
and not shrink away from Him in shame
at His coming.*

1 John 2:28 (NASB)

Hard Worker:

Daily Discipline Stewardship

*As a Steward of God's Resources a Disciple of Christ
can be counted on to give their best effort at all times.*

(Pro. 10:4; 14:23; 2:29)

Hard Workers

*Lazy people are soon poor;
hard workers get rich.*

Proverbs 10:4 (NLT)

*All hard work brings a profit,
but mere talk leads only to poverty.*

Proverbs 14:23 (NIV)

Do you see any truly competent workers?

*They will serve kings
rather than working for ordinary people.*

Proverbs 22:29 (NLT)

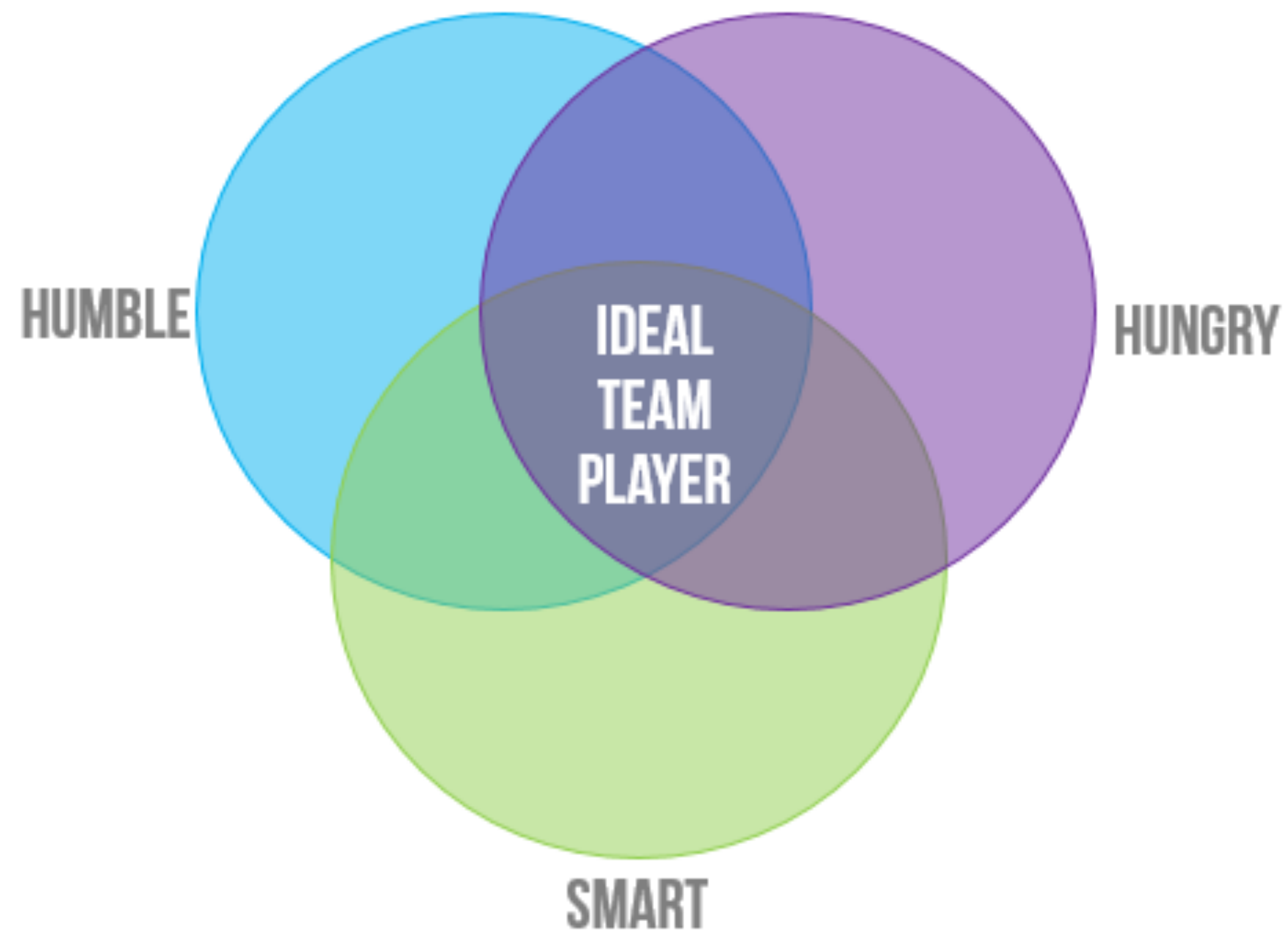
Hard Workers

*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart,
as working for the Lord, not for human masters,
since you know that you will receive
an inheritance from the Lord as a reward.
It is the Lord Christ you are serving.*

Colossians 3:23-24 (NIV)

*The way we do our work
says everything about how
seriously we take out faith.*

The Ideal Team Player



Patrick
Lencioni



The Ideal Team Player

THE IDEAL TEAM PLAYER IS Humble

Compliments or
praises without
hesitation



Willing to take on
lower-level work
for the good
of the team



Readily
acknowledges
weaknesses



Easily admits
to mistakes



Gladly shares
credit for team
accomplishments



Offers and
accepts apologies
graciously

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THE IDEAL TEAM PLAYER IS Hungry

Does more than
what is required
in the job



Feels a sense of
personal
responsibility
for the success of
the overall team



Willing to take
on tedious or
challenging tasks
whenever necessary



Passionate about
the "mission"
of the team



Willing to contribute
to and think about
work outside of
office hours



Looks for
opportunities to
contribute outside of
areas of
responsibility

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THE IDEAL TEAM PLAYER IS Smart

Understands what
others are feeling
during conversations



Demonstrates an
interest in the lives
of teammates



Aware of how words
and actions impact
others on the team



Shows empathy to
others on the team



Attentively
listens to everyone
on the team



Adjusts behavior
and style to fit the
nature of the
conversation or
relationship

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Prudent Manager:

Overall Resources Stewardship

*As a Steward of God's Resources a Disciple of Christ
intentional superintends their time,
talent and treasures for God's glory.*

(Luke 12:42-48; 16:1-12; Mat. 6:19-24)

Prudent Managers

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Prudent Managers

If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones. But if you are dishonest in little things, you won't be honest with greater responsibilities. And if you are untrustworthy about worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches of heaven? And if you are not faithful with other people's things, why should you be trusted with things of your own?

Luke 16:10-12 (NLT)

Prudent Managers

“Don’t hoard treasure down here where it gets eaten by moths and corroded by rust or—worse!—stolen by burglars. Stockpile treasure in heaven, where it’s safe from moth and rust and burglars. It’s obvious, isn’t it? The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being.

“You can’t worship two gods at once. Loving one god, you’ll end up hating the other. Adoration of one feeds contempt for the other. You can’t worship God and Money both.

Matthew 6:19-21;24 (The Message)

CAUTIOUS DEBTOR:

Financial Obligations Stewardship

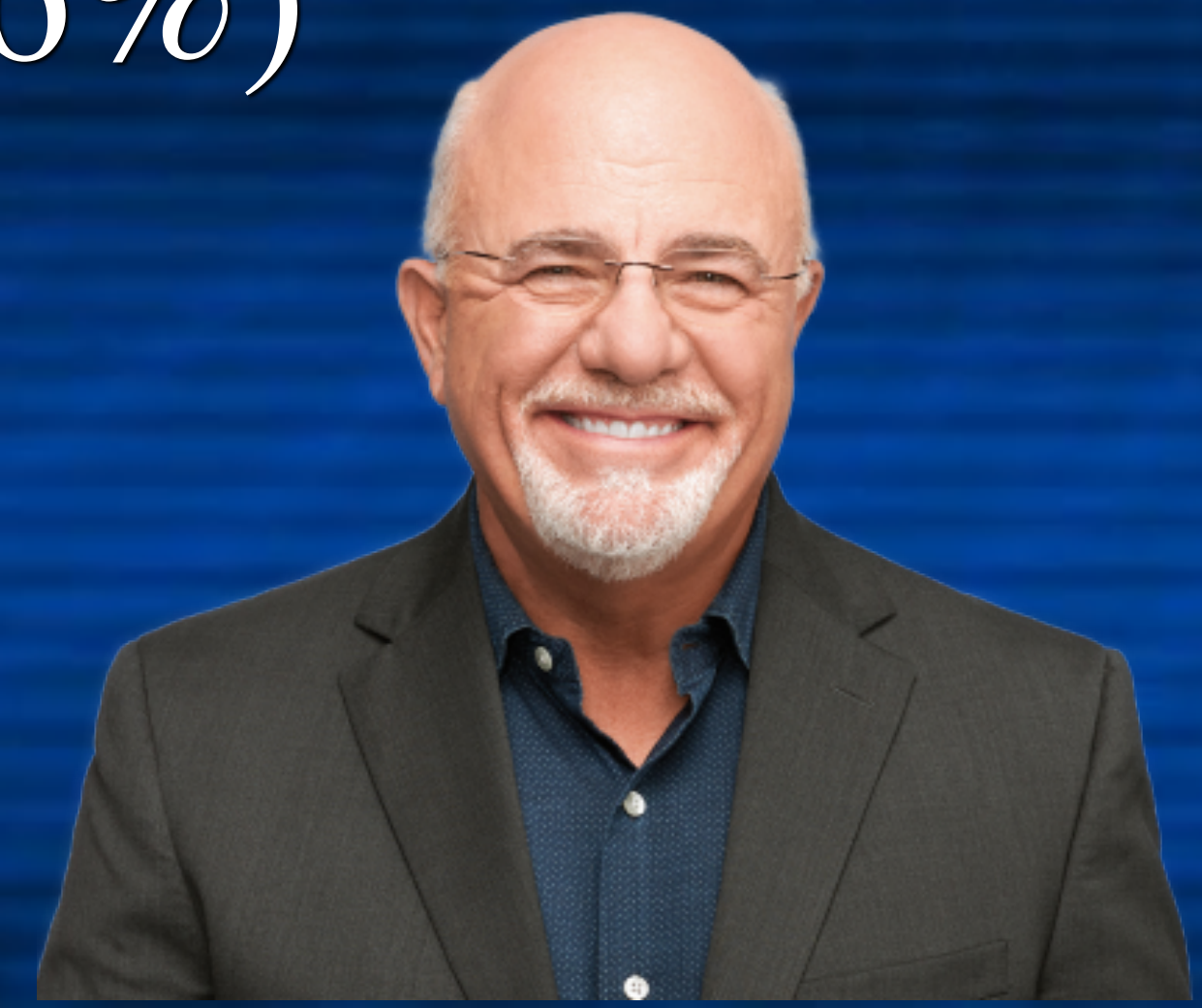
*As a Steward of God's Resources a Disciple of Christ
limits their financial risks to avoid foolish obligations.*

(Pro. 6:1-5; 22:7, 26-27)

Stewardship Statistics

While America is listed among the world's richest nations, the average American debt continues to weigh its citizens down. Almost three out of four Americans (72%) say they are burdened by debt, including mortgages. And two-thirds of Americans (66%) reported consumer debt, with an average of \$34,055 debt load per person.

Dave Ramsey



Stewardship Statistics

- The average American consumer debt load is \$34,055.
- Generation X has the most debt on average, but Millennials are less than \$2,700 behind.
- Consumer debt increases as household income increases.
- Millennials have less debt than other generations but are more stressed about their debt.

Dave
Ramsey



CAUTIOUS DEBTOR

My child, if you have put up security for a friend's debtor agreed to guarantee the debt of a stranger—

if you have trapped yourself by your agreement and are caught by what you said—follow my advice and save yourself, for you have placed yourself at your friend's mercy.

Now swallow your pride; go and beg to have your name erased.

Don't put it off; do it now! Don't rest until you do.
Save yourself like a gazelle escaping from a hunter,
like a bird fleeing from a net.

Proverbs 6:1-5 (NIV)

CAUTIOUS DEBTOR

The rich rules over the poor,
And the borrower becomes the lender's slave.

Proverbs 22:7

Do not be among those who give pledges,
Among those who become guarantors for debts.

If you have nothing with which to pay,
Why should he take your bed from under you?

Proverbs 22:26-27 (NASB)

CAUTIOUS DEBTOR

The Bible doesn't say debt is a sin, but it has nothing good to say about it and definitely discourages it.

The risk you accept when taking on debt is too great to make any possible benefits worth it.

Take God's word on this one and save up to pay cash for the things other people might borrow for.

*Dave
Ramsey*



Romans

(The Believer's Debts)

Unbelievers: Share the Gospel
(Romans 1:14)

Holy Spirit: Live Holy Life
(8:12-14)

Government: Pay Taxes
(13:6)

One Another: Love
(13:8)

Joyful Giver:

Financial Obligations Stewardship

As a Steward of God's Resources a Disciple of Christ considers the opportunity to invest in the gospel a privilege.

(Luke 6:38; 2 Cor. 9:7)

Joyful Giver

Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.

Luke 6:38 (NLT)

Joyful Giver

You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NLT)

Joyful Giver

Remember: A stingy planter gets a stingy crop; a lavish planter gets a lavish crop. I want each of you to take plenty of time to think it over, and make up your own mind what you will give. That will protect you against sob stories and arm-twisting. God loves it when the giver delights in the giving.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (The Message)

Joyful Giver

And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.

As the Scriptures say,

“They share freely and give generously to the poor.
Their good deeds will be remembered forever.”

For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God.

2 Corinthians 9:8-11 (NLT)

Wise Investor:

Future Preparations Stewardship

As a Steward of God's Resources a Disciple of Christ takes the long range view of life and invests with wisdom.

(Pro. 6:6-8; 21:20; Mat. 25:14-30)

Wise Investor

Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise!

It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest.

Proverbs 6:6-8 (NIV)

*An inheritance quickly gained at the beginning
will not be blessed at the end.*

Proverbs 21:20 (NIV)

Wise Investor

*Plan for the future
and avoid “get rich quick” schemes.*

Stewardship

A Lifestyle Approach

*Stewardship Means Managing
the Resources of the King
until He Returns.*

Stewardship

A Lifestyle Approach

- Recognize that God is the sovereign owner of everything and you are a steward.
- Commit yourself to being a steward of your entire life for the glory of God.
- Choose one area where you will focus on being a better steward.