

# Faithful Steward

21-DAY DEVOTIONAL JOURNAL



**A GUY AND HIS BIBLE**

Practical Bible Studies For Daily Living

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As followers of Christ, we are called to be faithful stewards of all that God has entrusted to us. This includes not only our material possessions but also our abilities, opportunities, and the very minutes of our days. Through Scripture, reflection, and practical application, this devotional will guide you in deepening your understanding of stewardship and inspire you to live a life that honors God in every aspect.

Throughout this journey, may you be encouraged and empowered to embrace your role as a faithful steward, recognizing that everything we have is a gift from God. May you grow in wisdom and discernment as you seek to honor Him with your life. And may your heart be stirred to live each day with purpose, knowing that as faithful stewards, we have the incredible privilege of partnering with God in His work on earth.





## Day 3: Cultivating Your Talents

*Matthew 25:14-30 "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property... To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability."*

In the context of Matthew 25:14-30, when Jesus talks about "talents," he is not referring to skills or abilities as we commonly understand the term today. Instead, a "talent" was a unit of weight or a measure of value in biblical times, particularly in ancient Greece and Rome.

In this parable, a talent was a significant amount of money, often estimated to be worth several years' wages for a laborer. So when the master in the parable gave his servants talents, he was entrusting them with a considerable sum of money to manage while he was away.

The parable illustrates the importance of using one's resources, whether they be financial or otherwise, wisely and productively in service to God and others, as exemplified by the faithful servants who invested and multiplied the talents they received.

Journal Prompt: Consider the financial means, resources, gifts, and abilities God has blessed you with. Write down specific ways you can use them to serve others and advance His kingdom.

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## Day 6: Generosity in Action

*2 Corinthians 9:6-8 "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."*

Generosity is a hallmark of stewardship. As we give freely and cheerfully, we demonstrate our trust in God's provision and acknowledge His ownership over our resources. Let's cultivate a spirit of generosity, knowing that as we sow into God's kingdom, He blesses us abundantly to continue the cycle of giving.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on your giving habits. Are you giving generously and cheerfully, or do you find yourself holding back? Ask God to reveal areas where you can grow in generosity, and consider ways you can step out in faith to bless others.

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## Day 8: Integrity in Stewardship

*Luke 16:10 "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much."*

Integrity is essential in stewardship. How we handle even the smallest resources reflects our trustworthiness in God's eyes. Let's strive to be people of integrity, faithfully managing all that God has entrusted to us, knowing that our faithfulness in small things opens doors for greater responsibilities.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on your level of integrity in stewarding your time, talents, and resources. Are there areas where you need to be more diligent or honest? Ask God to reveal any areas of weakness and commit to growing in integrity as a steward.

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## Day 9: Seeking First the Kingdom

*Matthew 6:33 "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."*

Seeking God's kingdom above all else is foundational to stewardship. When we prioritize His purposes and righteousness, He promises to provide for all our needs. Let's align our hearts with God's agenda, trusting Him to supply what we need as we faithfully steward our time, talents, and resources.

Journal Prompt: Examine your priorities and commitments. Are there areas where you've prioritized your own agenda over God's kingdom? How can you shift your focus to seeking first His kingdom in every aspect of your life?

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## Day 10: Contentment in Christ

*Philippians 4:11-13 "I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty.*

*I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength."*

True contentment comes from Christ alone, not from our possessions or circumstances. As stewards, we are called to be content with what God has provided, trusting in His provision and sufficiency. Let's cultivate a spirit of contentment, knowing that our worth and satisfaction come from our relationship with Christ, not from worldly possessions.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on your level of contentment in life. Are there areas where you struggle with discontentment or comparison? Ask God to help you find your satisfaction in Him alone and to cultivate a heart of contentment in every circumstance.

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## Day 11: Using Your Gifts for God's Glory

*1 Peter 4:10-11 "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen."*

God has entrusted each of us with unique gifts and abilities to serve others and bring glory to His name. Whether it's through speaking, serving, or any other form of ministry, let's use our gifts faithfully as stewards of God's grace. May our actions and words reflect His love and point others to Him.

Journal Prompt: Consider the gifts and talents God has given you. How are you currently using them to serve others and bring glory to God? Are there areas where you can step out in faith and use your gifts more effectively for His kingdom purposes?

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## Day 13: The Blessing of Giving

*Acts 20:35 "In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"*

Giving is not only a responsibility but also a blessing. When we generously give of our time, talents, and resources to help others, we experience the joy and fulfillment that comes from serving and blessing those in need. Let's embrace the truth that it is indeed more blessed to give than to receive, and seek opportunities to be a blessing to others.

Journal Prompt: Think about a time when you experienced the joy of giving. How did it make you feel? Reflect on any hesitations you may have about giving, and ask God to help you overcome them. Consider ways you can incorporate more generosity into your life.

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## Day 14: Gratitude in Stewardship

*1 Thessalonians 5:18 "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."*

Gratitude is an essential attitude in stewardship. When we cultivate a heart of thankfulness for God's provision and blessings, we acknowledge His goodness and faithfulness in our lives. Let's strive to maintain an attitude of gratitude in all circumstances, trusting that God is at work for our good and His glory.

Journal Prompt: Take a moment to list three things you're thankful for today. Reflect on how God has provided for you in each of these areas. Consider starting a gratitude journal to regularly record the blessings in your life and cultivate a spirit of thankfulness.

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## Day 15: Multiplying Your Talents Revisited

*Read Matthew 25:14-30*

Reflect on the parable of the talents from Matthew 25:14-30 once again. Consider the significance of the master's response to the servants who multiplied their talents versus the one who buried his. How can you apply the lessons from this parable to your own life as a steward of God's gifts?

Journal Prompt: Think about the talents and abilities God has entrusted to you. Are there areas where you've been hesitant to use or develop them? Ask God to help you overcome any fears or insecurities, and commit to stepping out in faith to multiply the gifts He's given you.

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## Day 16: Managing Your Resources Wisely

*Luke 16:10–11 "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?"*

Faithfulness in stewardship extends to how we manage our financial resources. Whether we have little or much, it's essential to handle money with wisdom and integrity. Let's seek to be faithful stewards of our finances, honoring God with our spending, saving, and giving habits.

**Journal Prompt:** Evaluate your current financial habits and attitudes. Are there areas where you can improve in managing your resources wisely? Ask God to give you wisdom and discipline in handling your finances in a way that honors Him.

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## Day 17: Trusting God's Provision

*Philippians 4:19 "And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."*

God is our ultimate provider, and He promises to meet all our needs according to His riches. As stewards, we can trust in God's provision and faithfulness, knowing that He is always with us and cares for us deeply. Let's surrender our worries and anxieties about provision to God and rely on His promises.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on a time when you experienced God's provision in your life. How did it impact your faith and trust in Him? Write down any current needs or concerns you have, and commit them to God in prayer, trusting in His faithfulness to provide.

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## Day 18: Contentment in God's Provision

*Hebrews 13:5 "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.'"*

Contentment is a key aspect of stewardship. When we are content with what God has provided, we are freed from the grip of materialism and can focus on using our resources for His purposes. Let's trust in God's faithful provision and find our satisfaction in Him alone, knowing that He will never leave us nor forsake us.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on your current level of contentment. Are there areas of your life where you struggle with discontentment or a desire for more? Take some time to meditate on God's faithfulness and provision in your life, and ask Him to help you find true contentment in Him.

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## Day 19: Diligence in Stewardship

*Proverbs 10:4 "Laziness leads to poverty; hard work makes you rich."*

Diligence is an essential quality of stewardship. God calls us to work diligently and faithfully with the time, talents, and resources He has given us. Let's strive to be good stewards by putting in the effort and hard work necessary to fulfill our responsibilities and honor God in all that we do.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on your work ethic and diligence in stewardship. Are there areas of your life where you struggle with laziness or procrastination? Ask God to give you the strength and motivation to work diligently and faithfully in all your endeavors.

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## Day 20: Surrendering Control

*Proverbs 19:21 "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."*

As stewards, we often make plans and set goals for our time, talents, and resources. However, true stewardship involves surrendering our plans to God and aligning ourselves with His purposes. Let's trust in God's sovereignty and wisdom, knowing that His purposes will ultimately prevail.

Journal Prompt: Reflect on a time when your plans didn't align with God's purposes. How did you respond? Take some time to surrender your plans and goals to God, asking Him to guide you in stewarding your time, talents, and resources according to His will.

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## Day 21: A Life of Eternal Significance

*2 Corinthians 5:10 "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad."*

As we conclude this devotional journey on stewardship, let's remember that our stewardship of time, talents, and resources has eternal significance. One day, we will give an account of how we have used what God has entrusted to us. Let's strive to be faithful stewards, living in a way that honors God and impacts eternity.

Journal Prompt: Take some time to reflect on the legacy you want to leave with your stewardship of time, talents, and resources. How can you live a life that reflects your commitment to honoring God and impacting eternity? Write down specific actions you can take to align your life with God's eternal purposes.

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