

Stewardship Throughout the Scriptures

Acts 20:35

I. Stewardship in the Old Testament

- A. The First Couple - Genesis 1:26, 27-31; Genesis 2:15**
- B. The Firstfruits - Exodus 23:16, 19; Exodus 34:18-19, 22, 26; Leviticus 23:16-17**
- C. The First Tithes**
 - i. Abraham - Genesis 14:18-20; Psalms 110:4; Genesis 14:20-24**
 - ii. Jacob - Genesis 28:20-22**

II. Stewardship in the New Testament

- A. Jesus Speaks on Tithing - Matthew 23:23; Luke 11:42; Luke 18:12**
- B. How are We to Give to the Lord?**
 - i. Systematically - 1 Corinthians 16:1-2**
 - ii. Individually - 1 Corinthians 16:2**
 - iii. Proportionally - 1 Corinthians 16:2**
 - iv. Cheerfully - 2 Corinthians 9:7**
 - v. Sacrificially - 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 1 Corinthians 9:13-14**
 - vi. Secretly - Matthew 6:1-4**
 - vii. Persistently - 2 Corinthians 8:10-12**
 - viii. Bountifully - 2 Corinthians 9:6**
 - 1. The Law of Sowing and Reaping**
 - a. You reap what you sow.**
 - b. You reap more than you sow.**
 - c. You reap later than you sow.**
 - ix. Purposefully - 2 Corinthians 9:7**

Conclusion:

2 Corinthians 9:8 (NKJV) And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:10-15 (NKJV) Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God, while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for your liberal sharing with them and all men, and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you. Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

Acts 20:35b (NKJV) And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'