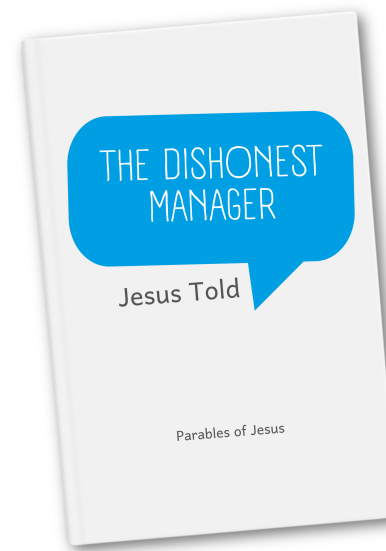


Questions

1. What are the two surprises in Luke 16:8? What does "shrewd" mean, and how did Jesus use it to make his point?
2. What are some examples you can think of to illustrate Jesus' point that the people of the world are often more shrewd about living for their priorities in this age, than believers are about living for that which matters for eternity?
3. In what ways might worldly wealth fail (16:9), or in what ways have you already experienced its failure? Why is it crucial that believers be convicted about the temporary and fleeting nature of wealth?
4. What are some practical ways that you can use wealth as a means to make friends who will welcome you into eternal dwellings?
5. Can you testify to the faithful-steward principle of 16:10-12, i.e. have you seen God supply even after you've sought to be faithful and generous with money?
6. How does Jesus use the clear dividing lines in verse 13 to emphasize our need to submit our use of money to His Lordship?
7. Is there an area where you have been convicted about your use of money? What steps will you take to pursue change?

*After each service, if you need prayer,
someone will be available up front to pray with you.*

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Luke 16:1-13

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After telling a fascinating story about a dishonest manager, Jesus gave three important lessons for how citizens of God's Kingdom should use their wealth.

The manager squandered the rich man's possessions and was fired for his incompetence.

To soften his landing into unemployment, the manager called in each of his master's debtors and reduced the amount they owed. He hoped they would show him gratitude and help him when he was seeking a new job.

The landowner praised his manager's shrewdness, and Jesus used that to make the central point of His story:

People of the world are often more prudent (shrewd) about living for their priorities in this age, than believers are about living for that which matters for eternity.

The manager wisely used what he briefly held for his own gain. Jesus is teaching us to wisely use what we briefly hold for eternal gain.

1. Wisely Use Wealth for Others (16:9)

**3. Use the Wealth God has entrusted to you Fearfully
(16:13)**

2. Use Wealth Faithfully (16:10-12)