### Stewards of our lives

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#### Luke 12:42-46

- "And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise sloward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has.
- But if that servant says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,' and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, 46 the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.

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#### Genesis 1:27-29 (NKJV)

- So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

## Stewardship

#### Matthew 25:21 (NKJV)

'His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.

#### Areas of stewardship

Life

Talents

Spiritual gifts

Revelation & wisdom

Marriage

Children

Friendships

Job

#### Areas of stewardship cont

Unsaved friends & family

Spiritual growth

Reputation

Opportunities

Ministry

Health

Wealth

# Stewardship

#### Luke 16:10 (New Living Translation)

- "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?

Hindrances to good stewardship

Selfishness
Pride
Rebellion
Stubbornness
Covetousness
Sin
Addiction
Offence

#### Hindrances to good stewardship

Unforgiveness

Dishonesty

Insecurity

Time wasters

## Triumph in Christ

2 Corinthians 2:14

Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ!