

A Twenty-One Day Digital Devotional

Day One

You Cannot Get Back Wasted Time. Steward Your Time Wisely.

"If you don't know where you are going, you'll end up someplace else." – Yogi Berra

Stewardship is not just about money but time as well. How you spend both of these resources says a lot about you as an individual. They really do help to determine where you are headed and where you will end up.

"Stewardship" is a term we use at Revolution in place of "Membership". Our desire for the people who choose to align themselves with our church is to have a solid understanding that "Members have **RIGHTS**. Stewards have **RESPONSIBILITIES**". Our Stewardship Covenant tells us: "Stewards who enter into a covenant with us are called to a higher degree of accountability, responsibility, service and sacrifice."

When the New Testament uses the word "steward" it is a word that means "manager of the house" or "caretaker." In biblical times – and for many years after – wealthy people felt that they were too busy to handle the mundane things around the house. So, they would hire a steward to take care of things – to manage their homes, their children, their finances, everything. You may remember that Joseph was the steward of Potiphar's home. It tells us so in...

Genesis 39:6 – "So he left all that he had in Joseph's charge, and because of him he had no concern about anything but the food he ate."

But the Bible goes much further with this. The Bible tells us you and I are stewards of the things God entrusts to us. EVERYTHING He entrusts to us. Paul once said that he and the other apostles were...

1 Corinthians 4:1 – "...servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God."

Paul said that his ministry was a stewardship – in 1 Corinthians 9:17 – and in Colossians 1:25. And Peter told us that we are to use our spiritual gifts...

1 Peter 4:10 - "...as good stewards of God's varied grace."

So, when you add it all up, stewardship is the management of my God-given resources for the glory of God and the benefit of others. This includes our Time and how we Steward it.

"Time management is an oxymoron. Time is beyond our control, and the clock keeps ticking regardless of how we lead our lives. Priority management is the answer to maximizing the time we have." - John C. Maxwell

While I agree with Mr. Maxwell, let me challenge you to take it a step further. Jesus should not be a priority, because priorities can be raised, lowered, or adjusted as we deem fit. But, if He becomes the center of my very existence, then He drives how I order my priorities and how I steward my time to advance His Kingdom.

Questions To Consider

Is Jesus a priority for you or is He the center of your life?

What steps do you need to take to make sure He has His rightful place on the throne of your life?

How can you begin to be a better Steward of your Time?

Prayer Focus

Lord, please forgive me for trying to just make you a priority. I ask that you guide me, through Your Holy Spirit, as to how I need to shift my focus. I want you to take over and have complete control over my life. Amen

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