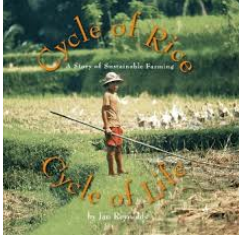


Stewardship

Guard what has been entrusted to your care.

1 Timothy 6:20

Family Book



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From the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.

Luke 12:48b

Love of Money

1 Timothy 6:3-12, 17-21

If anyone teaches false doctrines and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching, he is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in envy, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions and constant friction between men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.

But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

...Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith.

Grace be with you.

**Honor the Lord with your wealth,
with the first fruits of all your crops;**

**then your barns will be filled to overflowing,
and your vats will brim over with new wine.**

-Proverbs 3:9-10

CHALLENGE QUESTIONS

In Christian circles, the word "stewardship" has come, very often, to refer to our use of money and specifically to giving.

What do you think about this?

Read the above verse from 1 Timothy. What are we to be stewards of?