

## Personal Study Questions to Help Prepare for the Sermon

### Read Luke 16:1-15

- ◆ What did the manager do to cause the rich man to remove him from his place of stewardship?
- ◆ How might we “waste God’s possessions”? Please give some specific examples of how a person might waste the resources that God has entrusted to us.
- ◆ How does a person use “unrighteous wealth” to make friends? (verse 9) And what do you think it means that these friends will receive you into eternal dwellings? How might this truth affect the way we live?
- ◆ Who do you think the rich man represents? Who does the manager represent? Explain your answers.
- ◆ What motivations might cause us to waste the resources that God gives to us as a stewardship? What can we do to overcome these motivations?
- ◆ How does this story relate to the story of the rich man and Lazarus in verses 19-31 of Luke 16?
- ◆ What possessions does the manager own? Why is it important that we see all of the resources in our care as God’s resources?
- ◆ What do verses 10-12 mean? What specific applications might you draw from them for your life?
- ◆ How do you know if you love money? How is the love of money the root of all kinds of evil? (cf 1 Timothy 6:10)
- ◆ How does the principle of “stewardship” change the way we think and act in reference to time, money, relationships and energy?
- ◆ How does our stewardship with temporal resources affect our experience in eternity? How does this truth encourage you?
- ◆ What can you practically do to kill the sin of the love of money in your heart?



# Small Groups

Guide for sermon on  
April 27, 2014

## Group Discussion Questions

1. What is the main point from the Scripture as it was taught on Sunday?
2. Are there any Study Questions from the week that you want to discuss?
3. What difference should this Scripture make in our lives today?
4. How does God want your personal beliefs and actions to change based on this Scripture?
5. How can you plan to accomplish this change with God's grace this week? What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

## This Week's Memory Verse:

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

*Matthew 28:19-20*