

# **“What’s the Goal for My Life?”**

## **Living a Generous Life Series**

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Matthew 25:14-30

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### **Stewardship Insights:**

- 1. Accountability is to be expected. (Matthew 25:19-20)**
- 2. Faithfulness is the goal. (Matthew 25:21, 23)**

“Although the second slave was given less than half as much to work with, he performed just as faithfully and industriously as the first. Like his fellow slave, he doubled his master’s money. Both men demonstrated supreme commitment to their master by making the most of what they had, by maximizing their opportunities.”

John MacArthur, *The MacArthur New Testament Commentary*, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, IL, 1989, p. 101.

- 3. Our eternal reward is connected to our earthly faithfulness. (Matthew 25:21, 23)**

“Every soul in heaven will equally possess eternal life and will be equally righteous, equally Christlike, and equally glorious. Everyone will be equally perfect, because perfection has no degrees. The difference will be in opportunities and levels of service. Just as the angels serve God in ranks, so will redeemed men and women, and the degree of their heavenly service will have been determined by the devotedness of their earthly service.”

John MacArthur, *The MacArthur New Testament Commentary*, Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, IL, 1989, p. 104.

4. **Stewardship reflects our hearts toward God.  
(Matthew 25:24-30)**

“...this slave does not represent an atheist or even an agnostic, because he recognized the master as his legitimate owner and no doubt made a pretense of honoring the master while he was away. He did not misuse his talent on immoral or selfish pursuits like the prodigal son or embezzle it like the unmerciful servant of Matthew 18. He simply disregarded the stewardship he had been given.”

John MacArthur, *The MacArthur New Testament Commentary*,  
Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, IL, 1989, p. 105.

**Response Questions**

1. In order for me to be a faithful steward with my time, I need to....
2. In order for me to be a faithful steward of my treasure/money, I need to...
3. In order for me to be a faithful steward of my talents, I need to...