

How the Church Uses Your Tithe I Corinthians 16:2

I. The responsibility of stewardship.

A. Who gave it to you?

1. ...what hast thou that thou didst not receive... I Corinthians 4:7.

2. Genesis 15:2 And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?

3. Matthew 25:25-30 And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

4. ...Thou wicked and slothful servant... vs. 26.

5. Take therefore the talent from him... vs. 28.

6. ...cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness... vs. 30.

7. After a long time... Matthew 25:19.

B. How much really belongs to God?

1. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse... Malachi 3:10.

2. Upon the first day of the week... I Corinthians 16:2.

II. Where does it go?

A. We're all debtors.

1. I am debtor... Romans 1:14.

B. More specifically.

1. Matthew 28:19-20 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

2. Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

3. I Corinthians 16:2 ...let everyone of you...