
STEWARDSHIP QUOTES

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“The good deed you do today may be the only sermon some receive.” St Francis of Assisi

“Do not let a day pass without doing some good during it.” St. Philip Neri

“Dearest lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost.” St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556)

"Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could."

-St. Gregory Nazianzen

Pope Francis

Life is not given to us to be jealously guarded for ourselves ,but is given to us so that we may give it in turn.

Pope Francis, to an audience on April 24, 2013

Let us protect with love all that God has given us!

Pope Francis, March 19, 2013

In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protection, and all of us are responsible for it. Be protectors of God's gifts!

Pope Francis, March 19, 2013

It means protecting people, showing loving concern for each and every person, especially children, the elderly, those in need, who are often the last we think about.

Pope Francis, March 19, 2013

Let us never forget that authentic power is service.

Pope Francis, March 19, 2013

Above all, the desert within, when we have no love for God or neighbour, when we fail to realize that we are guardians of all that the Creator has given us and continues to give us. God's mercy can make even the driest land become a garden, can restore life to dry bones (cf. Ez 37:1-14).

Pope Francis - post Easter Urbi et orbi message

Scriptural References

John 3:21 *"Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God."*

John 14:12 *"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in me will also do the works that I do"*

Mark 9:36-37 *"He then took a little child whom he set among them and embraced, and he said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes a little child such as this in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me, welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'"*

1 Chronicles 29:14-16 *"For everything is from you, and we only give you what we have received from you."*

Deuteronomy 16:10, 16-17 *"No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, God has bestowed on you."*

Proverbs 11:25 *"He who confers benefits will be amply enriched, and he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."*

Sirach 35:7-10 *"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means."*

Acts 20:35 *"And keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"*

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 *"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."*

2 Corinthians 8:12 *"For if eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has-not according to what one does not have."*

2 Corinthians 9:6-9 *"The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.'"*

Hebrews 13:16 *"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have: God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind."*

Luke 6:38 *"Give and gifts will be given to you."*

Luke 6:32-38 *"Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"*

Luke 12:48 *"From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded."*

Luke 12:13-21 *“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.”*

Luke 14:1,7-14 *“when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”*

Luke 16:10-13 *“If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to another, who will give you what is yours? No servant can serve two masters.”*

Mathew 10:37-42 *“Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones, will surely not lose his reward.”*

Matthew 10:8 *“You received without payment; give without payment.”*

1 Peter 4:8-10 *“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”*

Parables Dealing with Money and Possessions

Matthew 13:44 – The Hidden Treasure

Matthew 13:45 – The Fine Pearl

Matthew 18:23-35 – The Unmerciful Servant

Matthew 20:1-16 – The Generous Employer

Matthew 25:14-30 and Luke 19:12-27 – The Talents

Matthew 25: 31-45 – The Sheep and Goats

Matthew 21:33; Mark 12:1-12; and Luke 20:9-19 – The Wicked Tenants

Matthew 24:45-51 and Luke 12:42-46 – The Servant Entrusted with Supervision

Luke 7:41-43 – The Two Debtors