

RESPONSIBLE FOR GOD'S RESOURCES
PART 2: TRUE GENEROSITY

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"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it; the world, and all who live in it."

Psalm 24:1 (NIV)

STEWARDSHIP

_____ the property, resources or
affairs of _____.

FAITHFUL MANAGEMENT

"How I praise the Lord that you are concerned about me again. I know you have always been concerned for me, but you didn't have the chance to help me. Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have. I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength." Philippians 4:10-13 (NLT)

- **Faithful Management requires me to distinguish between**

_____ and _____.

"Even so, you have done well to share with me in my present difficulty. As you know, you Philippians were the only ones who gave me financial help when I first brought you the Good News and then traveled on from Macedonia. No other church did this. Even when I was in Thessalonica you sent help more than once."

Philippians 4:14-16 (NLT)

- **Faithful Management requires me to be** _____.

"...Give as freely as you have received!"

Matthew 10:8 (NLT)

"Now I want you to know, dear brothers and sisters, what God in His kindness has done through the churches in Macedonia. They are being tested by many troubles, and they are very poor. But they are also filled with abundant joy, which has overflowed in rich

generosity. For I can testify that they gave not only what they could afford, but far more. And they did it of their own free will." II Corinthians 8:1-3 (NLT)

- **Faithful Management enables me to give more than _____**

_____.

"They begged us again and again for the privilege of sharing in the gift for the believers in Jerusalem. They even did more than we had hoped, for their first action was to give themselves to the Lord and to us, just as God wanted them to do."

II Corinthians 8:4-5 (NLT)

- **Faithful Management means giving with _____**

_____.

TWO TRUTHS ABOUT GENEROSITY

- 1. God wants to _____ to meet the _____**

of _____.

"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."

I Peter 4:10 (NLT)

- 2. When I meet other people's needs, _____**

_____ to meet _____.

"At the moment I have all I need—and more! I am generously supplied with the gifts you sent me ... And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:18-19 (NLT)

"Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

Luke 6:38 (NLT)