

Good Stewards Serve Lead by Example

A good steward, is a servant to those they are entrusted with. The best, most inspiring leaders and trainers are those who lead by example and not mere words.

“God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.” Acts 10:38

What did Jesus do?

Who were the people oppressed by?

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.” John 14:12-14

What will we do if we believe?

What will He do if we ask for something in His name?

Who is to get the glory?

"And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant; even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." Matthew 20:27-28

What are we to be?

"For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more." 1 Corinthians 9:19

Why would we serve others?

We have all been **given a job to do** if we are followers of Jesus Christ, to "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen. Mark 16:15-18, 20

Where are we to go and tell the gospel?

What happens to those who reject the gospel?

Who do signs follow?

What are the signs that follow the people that believe the gospel message?

How does the Lord confirm the truth of His Word / His Gospel?

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: Ephesians 4:11-15

Why did God give apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers?

What are the saints to do?

What are we to grow up to be?

When we grow up what will no longer take place?

How do we speak the truth?

Colossians 1:27-29 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

What is the mystery?

What do we preach and teach?

Hebrews 5:14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

Who is the strong meat for?

Can baby / immature believers benefit from hearing meat of the Word?

A good Steward serves.
Are you serving?

Matthew 5:19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.