

Stewardship in the Bible

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 upon you.”

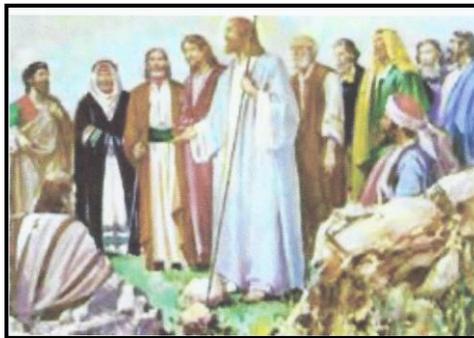
1 Peter 4:8-10

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

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.”

Stewardship



“...follow me...”

What?

Stewardship – living life as God intended.
The Bible is the textbook.
(Bring it!)

Where?

Our Lady of Lourdes Church
1505 Brown St., Bettendorf

(Was held in Spring and Fall in 2013)

6 weekly sessions, 1 and ½ hour sessions

To be scheduled

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Exploring a Life of Stewardship

Offered at
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Catholic Church**
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**Build an understanding of
the new model of Stewardship**

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**Our Lady of Lourdes is committed to
stewardship as a way of life:**

“...to live as Christ taught takes a prayer-filled conscious decision!”

“Stewardship is a choice to give back to God a portion of one’s time, talent and treasure; it is an ongoing conversion process from the heart.”

The model at Lourdes is based on what is known as the “Wichita Model”, a successful program implemented in the Wichita Dioceses. The materials for this 6 week program were developed and are copyrighted by the Diocese of Green Bay and are used by permission.

EXPLORING THE LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP

There has got to be a better way!!! In a busy, all consuming world, when is enough, enough? Would you like an opportunity to reflect upon your priorities in light of your Catholic faith? Have you been looking for *the pathway* to becoming a joy-filled follower of Jesus? Are you interested in joining others in this important conversation? If your answer is “yes” to any of the above consider participating in an *Exploring a Life of Stewardship* small group seminar.

THE FOUR PILLARS OF STEWARDSHIP

I. PRAYER

Encourage communal and daily commitment of personal prayer.

II. HOSPITALITY/EVANGILIZATION

Open yourself to hospitality; invite others to grow spiritually by sharing the love of God.

III. FAITH FORMATION/STUDY

Understand and adopt stewardship as a way of life, continuous learning.

IV. SERVICE/GENEROSITY

Generous use of your talents and gifts.

THE SEMINAR SESSIONS

Participants will form small groups in the sessions and meet for six weekly sessions that include fellowship, prayer, information, conversation and encouragement in taking steps to becoming more authentic disciples of Jesus.

Sessions include:

WEEK 1 – JOY FILLED MANAGERS

Christian stewards receive God’s gifts gratefully, cherish and tend them in a responsible and accountable manner, share them in justice and love with all, and return them with increase to the Lord.

WEEK 2 – GRATEFUL HEARTS – GENEROUS SPIRITS

Such generosity flows from hearts grateful to God for his generosity in creating and saving us.

WEEK 3 – CONSTANT COMMUNICATON

Stewards nurture their relationship with God by having a prayer life.

WEEK 4 – MAKE ME A SERVANT

Jesus not only calls people to him but also forms them and sends them out in his service.

WEEK 5 – INVESTING IN HEAVENLY TREASURES

For where your treasure is, there also will be your heart. *Mt.6:21*

WEEK 6 –THE WORK OF A LIFETIME

It is a total way of life and requires continuing conversion.

A Stewardship Prayer



Lord, source of all gifts, You call us to be disciples of your Son to be stewards of all creation.

May the hours and days You give us be filled with faith, with hope, and with love.

May the talents, gifts and graces You give us be shared for the benefit of family and community.

May the money and possessions You give us be spent for growth of self and of the church.

Help us make the choices that will renew the face of the earth, and will bring us to see You face to face.