

CHURCH IN A BROKEN WORLD

Sermon: Stewardship with Integrity

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:58–16:4

Opening Questions

How do you typically define "stewardship" versus "ownership," and how does shifting your mindset from owner to steward change how you view your everyday resources?

When you think about the word "integrity," especially regarding financial management in leadership or ministry, what specific practices come to mind that build or restore trust?

Digging Deeper

Read 1 Corinthians 15:58–16:4.

How does Paul connect the victory of the resurrection at the end of chapter 15 with his practical instructions on financial giving in chapter 16?

What principles of intentional giving does Paul outline in 1 Corinthians 16:1–4?

Read Mark 12:41–44 & 2 Corinthians 8:20–21.

How does the story of the poor widow demonstrate that Gospel-shaped stewardship includes everyone, regardless of wealth or status?

Why was Paul so concerned with taking extra precautions and having trusted companions accompany the financial gift in 2 Corinthians 8:20–21? Why is integrity in handling resources vital to the Gospel witness?

Living it Out

In what ways can you move your giving and generosity from being spontaneous or leftover-based to being an intentional, regular rhythm in your life?

Looking at the immediate opportunities in front of us (such as local community outreach, church initiatives, or global missions), how can you use ordinary money as a tangible tool to love and serve people?

What is one practical step you can take this week to align your personal stewardship—whether of finances, time, or talents—more fully with God's Kingdom purposes?

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