

## **Stewardship - Abilities**

### **Matthew 25:14-19**

#### **Stewardship**

A steward is a trusted servant to whom the master has delegated responsibility in helping to promote his affairs

Responsibility is part of the definition

Must use that over which we have been given stewardship - **Matthew 25:26-27**

#### **Abilities**

Things we have a 'knack for' and even just the simple things we can do. - **James 1:17; 1Peter 4:10-11**

Not everyone's abilities are the same - **Matthew 25:14-15; Ephesians 4:7-16**

Barnabas – consolation & intercessor - **Acts 4:36; 9:26-27**

Apollos – knowledge, eloquent & bold speech - **Acts 18:24-28**

Should not be jealous regarding another's ability - **1Corinthians 12:4-6**

All work together for same cause - **Romans 12:4-5**

Lord is pleased with sincere effort - **Mark 14:6-9; 9:41**

We can develop and improve our abilities - **Matthew 25:14-30** (talents)

Ask God for wisdom - **James 1:5**

Everyone has abilities

Cooking, teaching, leading, singing, prayer, comfort, cleaning, repairing, building, etc.

Make a point to use your abilities for the Master!

#### **Accountable For Stewardship**

Accountable to God - **Luke 12:48; Matthew 25:19**

Willingness counts for much - **2Corinthians 8:12**

All things done to glorify God - **1Corinthians 10:31**

How are you using what God has left in your care?

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