Gospel Luke Bible Study #42

Luke 16:1-15

The Parable of The Shrewd Manager

1.I am a good manager of my life. ( ) yes ( ) no

2.The wasteful manager.

What did a rich man do for his possession? 16:1

 =hired a manger

What kind of management would the rich master expect from the manager?

 =increase his property

What was the management style of this manager? 16:1

 =wasting his possessions

What did the master decide to do with this manager? 16:2

 =Bring all the records and you are fired

What is the result of wasteful management?

 =losing a job

3.The shrewd manager

What did the manager see his reality? 16:3

 =waking up to reality

 =What shall I do now?

What did he realize that he should do? 16:4

 =how can I survive

 =I need to make my friend

He seemed to have nothing. But what resources did he find to utilize for his future? 16:2

 =account book

How much did the first debtor owe to the master? How much did he discount the debt? 16:5,6

 =Nine hundred gallons, half

How much did the next debtor owe to the master? How much did he discount the debt? 16:7

 =a thousand bushels of wheat, 200 bushels of wheat

 =100 acres produce a thousand bushels

What might happen to the debtors when they could not pay their debts?

 =so often, they have to sell their sons and daughters as slaves

If you were relived from the burden of your debt, what would you feel about the manager?

 =thankful

What do people usually try to do with money?

 =try to increase money

What lesson does Jesus give us through this shrewd manager? 16:9

 =you may be welcome to eternal dwelling by using money

 =while it is in your hands, use it for eternal life.

 =help desperate people

 =God will favor us

 =use your money to make friends

4.The basic truth about management

Who is the rich master?

 =God is the master

Who is the manager?

 =people

What properties are under your management?

 =time, money, property and gift

How have you been managing them? What is your management style?

 =not very well

 =wasteful

What does Jesus say about the management of the people of the light? 16:8

 =learn from this shrewd manger for dealing with their own kind

How does Jesus evaluate our management?

1. 16:10 whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much,

and whoever is dishonest with very little with also be dishonest with much

b. 16:11 So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?

c. 16:12 And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?

 =managing someone else’s property well, then God will give you your properties

When will more properties be added to us to manage?

 =from very little, put our trustworthy

Who will give more properties to us?

 =God

5. You can not serve both God and money.

What is the relationship between a servant and a master?

 =servant and master: master bought servant and servant serves 100%

Who is our master; Jesus or money?

 =Jesus

Why is Jesus our master?

 =Jesus paid our debt on the cross

Why does Jesus put money in the place of another master?

 =you can not serve Jesus and money at the same time.

Who said, ‘Make a lot of money and serve God by donating money and helping the poor.’?

 =money loving Christians

6. How can a wasteful manager be changed to a shrewd manager?

 =fear the lord

 =money will go soon