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MODULE 6 — BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP

Faithfulness with Everything God Has Given You

Module Overview

As your faith matures, you begin to realize something profound:

Nothing you have truly belongs to you.

Your time.

Your talents.

Your resources.

Your relationships.

Your influence.

Even your life itself.

Everything is a gift from God, entrusted to your care for His glory and the blessing of others.

This is the heart of biblical stewardship.

Stewardship is much more than managing money. It is recognizing that God is the Owner of everything, and we are called to faithfully manage what He has entrusted to us. Every opportunity becomes an act of worship when we use it to honor Him.

Jesus frequently taught about stewardship because He knew that faithfulness in small things prepares us for greater responsibility. The choices we make each day—how we spend our time, use our abilities, treat our relationships, and manage our finances—reveal the condition of our hearts.

John Wesley lived this principle with remarkable conviction. He famously encouraged believers to **"Earn all you can, save all you can, and give all you can,"** not for personal gain, but so they could bless others and advance God's Kingdom.

Stewardship is not about ownership.

It is about faithful management.

When we recognize that everything belongs to God, we become free to live generously, serve joyfully, and trust Him completely.

As the embers continue to burn steadily, God teaches us that faithful stewardship prepares us for the greater calling that lies ahead.

"Moreover, it is required in stewards that they be found faithful."

— 1 Corinthians 4:2

Learning Objectives

By the end of Module 6, you will:

- Understand the biblical principle of stewardship.
 - Learn to faithfully manage your time, talents, and resources.
 - Develop a heart of generosity.
 - Discover how your influence can glorify God.
 - Recognize that faithfulness prepares you for greater Kingdom responsibility.
 - Begin viewing every part of life as an opportunity to worship God.
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LESSON 21 — GOD OWNS EVERYTHING

Theme

Everything we have belongs to God.

Key Scriptures

- Psalm 24:1

- Haggai 2:8
 - 1 Corinthians 4:1–2
 - James 1:17
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Big Idea

We are managers of God's gifts, not owners of them.

Introduction

It's easy to think of our possessions as things we've earned.

Our careers.

Our homes.

Our savings.

Our abilities.

But Scripture reminds us that every good gift comes from God.

The earth belongs to Him.

Our lives belong to Him.

Every opportunity we receive is ultimately His gift.

God graciously entrusts these gifts to us so we can use them for His purposes.

This changes our perspective.

Instead of asking,

"What do I want?"

We begin asking,

"Lord, how would You have me use what You've entrusted to me?"

Living as a Steward

Faithful stewards recognize:

- God is the Owner.
- We are caretakers.
- Everything is temporary.
- Every gift has a purpose.
- Faithfulness honors God.

Stewardship begins with gratitude.

Reflection

1. What blessings has God entrusted to you?
 2. How does recognizing God's ownership change your perspective?
 3. In what area are you being called to greater faithfulness?
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Weekly Challenge

Make a list of everything God has entrusted to your care—your family, abilities, possessions, opportunities, relationships, and resources.

Thank Him for each one.

Prayer

Father,

Everything I have comes from You. Teach me to faithfully care for every gift You've entrusted to me and use it for Your glory.

Amen.

Memory Verse

"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."

— Psalm 24:1

LESSON 22 — STEWARDING YOUR TIME AND TALENTS

Theme

Every day and every ability is an opportunity to serve God.

Key Scriptures

- Ephesians 5:15–17
 - Colossians 3:23–24
 - Matthew 25:14–30
 - Romans 12:4–8
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Big Idea

God has uniquely equipped every believer to contribute to His Kingdom.

Introduction

Time is one of God's greatest gifts.

Once a day is gone, it can never be recovered.

Likewise, every believer has unique gifts, skills, experiences, and abilities that God intends to use.

Some teach.

Some encourage.

Some lead.

Some build.

Some create.

Some serve quietly behind the scenes.

Every gift matters.

The question isn't whether you've been gifted.

The question is whether you're using those gifts faithfully.

Investing Your Gifts

Faithful stewardship means:

- Using your abilities to bless others.
- Serving with excellence.
- Avoiding comparison.
- Continuing to grow.
- Giving God the credit.

God isn't looking for perfection.

He delights in faithfulness.

Reflection

1. What talents has God entrusted to you?
2. How are you currently using them for His Kingdom?
3. What one gift could you develop further?

Weekly Challenge

Volunteer your time or use one of your gifts to serve someone this week.

Prayer

Lord,

Help me use every hour and every gift You've given me wisely. May my life bring honor to You through faithful service.

Amen.

Memory Verse

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord."

— Colossians 3:23

LESSON 23 — THE JOY OF GENEROSITY

Theme

Generosity reflects the generous heart of God.

Key Scriptures

- 2 Corinthians 9:6–11
- Proverbs 11:24–25

- Acts 20:35
 - Malachi 3:10
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Big Idea

We give because God has first given to us.

Introduction

God's generosity is seen throughout Scripture.

He gives life.

He gives grace.

He gives forgiveness.

He gave His Son.

Followers of Jesus are called to reflect that same generous spirit.

Generosity is not measured by the size of a gift.

It is measured by the condition of the heart.

Whether giving our finances, time, encouragement, hospitality, or compassion, generosity becomes an act of worship.

Giving reminds us that our security is found in God—not in our possessions.

Living Generously

Biblical generosity includes:

- Giving cheerfully.
- Helping those in need.
- Supporting the work of the Church.

- Sharing your home.
- Investing in God's Kingdom.
- Trusting God to provide.

Generosity transforms both the giver and the receiver.

Reflection

1. What does generosity reveal about our hearts?
 2. How has someone else's generosity blessed you?
 3. What practical act of generosity can you offer this week?
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Weekly Challenge

Perform one intentional act of generosity this week without expecting recognition or repayment.

Prayer

Father,

Thank You for Your incredible generosity toward me. Help me become a cheerful giver who reflects Your love through generous living.

Amen.

Memory Verse

"God loves a cheerful giver."

— 2 Corinthians 9:7

LESSON 24 — STEWARDING YOUR INFLUENCE

Theme

Every believer has influence, and every influence can point people toward Christ.

Key Scriptures

- Matthew 5:13–16
 - 1 Timothy 4:12
 - Philippians 2:14–16
 - Titus 2:7–8
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Big Idea

How you live may be the clearest picture of Jesus someone ever sees.

Introduction

Not everyone will preach a sermon.

But everyone preaches something through the way they live.

People watch how we respond to pressure.

How we speak.

How we serve.

How we forgive.

How we treat others.

Whether we realize it or not, every Christian has influence.

God calls us to use that influence to bring hope, truth, and love into the lives of others.

A faithful steward understands that reputation, relationships, leadership opportunities, and everyday conversations are all gifts entrusted by God.

Being Salt and Light

Faithful influence means:

- Living with integrity.
- Speaking with kindness.
- Leading by example.
- Encouraging others.
- Sharing hope.
- Reflecting Christ consistently.

The goal is not to draw attention to ourselves.

It is to point people toward Jesus.

Reflection

1. Who is influenced by your life every day?
 2. What message are your actions communicating?
 3. How can you intentionally reflect Christ in your home, workplace, church, or community?
 4. Where is God inviting you to become a stronger witness?
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Weekly Challenge

Choose one relationship this week and intentionally encourage that person through your words, actions, or prayer.

Ask God to use your influence for His glory.

Prayer

Lord,

Thank You for every opportunity You've given me to influence others. Help my words, actions, and attitudes consistently reflect Jesus so that others may see Your love through my life.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

Memory Verse

"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

— Matthew 5:16

Module 6 Wrap-Up

Faithful stewardship is far more than responsible management—it is an expression of worship.

When you recognize that everything you have belongs to God, your perspective changes. Your time becomes an opportunity to serve. Your talents become tools for ministry. Your resources become a means of blessing others. Your influence becomes a way to point people toward Christ.

As you faithfully steward what God has entrusted to you, He continues to shape your heart through His sanctifying grace. Faithfulness in everyday life prepares you for greater opportunities to serve His Kingdom and reflects the character of Christ in practical ways.

The embers are burning brighter because a life surrendered to God leaves nothing outside of His care.

In **Module 7**, you'll discover the importance of **Christian Community**. God never intended us to grow alone. You'll learn how authentic fellowship, accountability, forgiveness, encouragement, and serving together strengthen your faith and help the embers of every believer burn brighter as the Body of Christ grows together.

