

"Called to Be God's Guardians"

Sunday, September 18, 2022, 10:30 a.m.

Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Luke 14:25-35 & others

BIG IDEA: Christ-followers are Guardians of God's resources.

*"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be **my disciple**."*

Luke 14:33 (CSB)

 **Jesus Christ's disciples are Guardians of God's Time.**

- **Jesus & His Time.**
- **Jesus' Expectations About My Time.**

 **Jesus Christ's disciples are Guardians of God's Talent.**

- **Jesus & His Talent.**
- **Jesus' Expectations About My Talent.**

 **Jesus Christ's disciples are Guardians of God's Treasure.**

- **Jesus & His Treasure.**
- **Jesus' Expectations About My Treasure.**

 **Jesus Christ's disciples are Guardians of God's Ties.**

- **Jesus & His Ties.**
- **Jesus' Expectations About My Ties.**

 **Jesus Christ's disciples are Guardians of God's "Temple".**

- **Jesus & His "Temple".**
- **Jesus' Expectations About My "Temple".**

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Read: Review the passages on managing our resources (TIME, TALENT, TREASURE, TIES, TEMPLE)

Think: Contemplate the significance of Jesus' expectation for TIME, TALENT, TREASURE, TIES, & TEMPLE for His disciples and then ask these questions: *What is my attitude toward time management? How does eternity inform my use of time? What is my attitude toward my talents and abilities? What eternal values direct the development and use of my talent? What is my attitude toward my material resources? What eternal investments am I making with my material possessions? What is my attitude toward my varied relationships? How do I manage those relationships as a follower of Jesus Christ? What is my attitude toward my body and its various parts in response to the Lordship of Christ?*

DO: When did you come to realize that following Jesus is costly? How so? Ever wondered since then if the cost was worth it? What keeps you going as a DISCIPLE of the Lord Jesus Christ?