

## **Kingdom Stewardship – Lesson 1 – Group Discussion**

1. In the business world, what are the concerns and responsibilities of a business owner?

What are the concerns and responsibilities of a business manager?

2. If God is the owner of all things, what do you think are the concerns and responsibilities of God?

If we are the managers of what God owns, what should our concerns and responsibilities be?

3. Dr. Evans said that we are to act on God's behalf, protecting and expanding God's assets. What does it mean to act on God's behalf?

4. Dr. Evans says that conflict happens when managers start acting like owners. In what ways do people act more like owners than managers of God's assets?

What problems does that cause?

5. Dr. Evans teaches that God entrusts us with time, talents, and treasures. In what ways does a responsible kingdom steward manage the time God has given?

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In what ways does a responsible kingdom steward manage the talents God has given?

In what ways does a responsible kingdom steward manage the treasures God has given?

6. Read Matthew 25:14-30. God expects us not just to protect the assets He is entrusted to us, but to grow those assets. What can you do this week to be a better steward?

For what purpose are we to grow what God has given to us?

7. How does God respond when we act as responsible kingdom stewards?

How have you experienced this in your life?

8. Dr. Evans stated that life changes when we realize that everything we have is given by God and that we are to manage it for His purposes. He says when we act as responsible kingdom stewards, we will be working in cooperation with God rather than in conflict with Him.

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What do you think would happen in your life if you were working in cooperation with God in this way?