Management vs Stewardship

A fresh perspective on administration that changes culture.

1 Corinthians 4:1-2 NASB

 Let a man regard us in this manner, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. 2 In this case, moreover, it is required of stewards that one be found trustworthy.

Management

(MAN)AGE

To manage is to handle or direct with a degree of skill.

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Dealing, *reactively*, with whatever issues are in front of you; present without the future in mind. (lack of clarity)

Attempting to solve problems independently of the proper counsel. The independent mindset can restrict the flow of productivity.

Managing without the counsel of the Lord can bring confusion and strife, therefore, creating a state of barrenness.

Stewardship

STE(WARD)

A person under the protection or tutelage of a government.

V

Dealing with the present while **preparing** for the future (vision).

Proactively engaging in a process of collaboration *with the Father* for the purpose of facilitating Heaven's way of doing things. The *execution* of this mindset releases the Life of God in every endeavor / assignment.

Stewardship promotes collaboration that brings multiplication, expansion, and forward movement; therefore, it yields breakthrough results.

Engaging in stewardship makes room for God's revelation, enlightenment and supernatural grace to lead teams to the success that God has ordained.

How to shift from a *Management* to a **Stewardship** mindset.

1. Put God at the *center* of everything in your life.

Don't put Him first, put Him at the center.

Read: Psalm 50:10-11 TPT

"Every animal of field and forest belongs to me, the Creator. I know every movement of the birds in the sky, and every animal of the field is in my thoughts. The entire world and everything it contains is mine."

2. Never forget that without Him you can do nothing.

Successful stewardship requires a lifestyle of intimacy with the Creator. Intimacy is relationship.

Read: John 15:4 TPT

"So you must remain in life union with me, for I remain in life union with you. For as a branch severed from the vine, you will not bear fruit, so your life will be fruitless unless you live your life intimately joined to mine."

3. Our Father believes in us more than we believe in ourselves.

Know who you are.

Most times, we are waiting on God for things to happen, but in reality, all of Heaven is waiting on us.

Read: Romans 8:19 TPT

"The entire universe is standing on tiptoe, yearning to see the unveiling of God's glorious sons and daughters!"

Read: 1 Peter 2:9 TPT

"But you are God's chosen treasure - priests who are kings, a spiritual "nation" set apart as God's devoted ones. He called you out of darkness to experience His marvelous light, and now He claims you as his very own. He did this so that you would broadcast His glorious wonders through the world."

SCRIPTURES TO REFLECT

"On the day of judgement many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, don't you remember us? Didn't we prophesy in your name? Didn't we cast out demons and do many miracles in your name? But I will have to say to them, 'Go away from me, you lawless rebels! I've never been joined to you!"

Matthew 7:22-23 TPT

"The Lord was with Joseph, so he became a successful man. And he was in the house of his master, the Egyptian. Now his master saw that the Lord was with him and how he Lord caused all that he did to prosper in his hand."

Genesis 39:2-3

REFLECTION PROMPTS

• What do you hear in your heart when you read these scriptures?

• What changes need to take place in order to come into alignment scripture?

• In what ways can you apply the revelation you are receiving to your everyday life?

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