



## SETTING THE TABLE

MARCH 31, 2024

### THE PARABLE OF THE TEN MINAS

LUKE 19:11-27

#### THREE DISTINCTIVE LIFESTYLES

- ① The \_\_\_\_\_: People who live for themselves, insisting on life on their \_\_\_\_\_.
- ② The \_\_\_\_\_ servant: People who want to go through life \_\_\_\_\_, not wanting to bother anyone or take things too \_\_\_\_\_.
- ③ The \_\_\_\_\_ stewards: People who understand that our lives are meant to be \_\_\_\_\_.

### OUR RESPONSIBILITY: STEWARDS OF THE MYSTERIES OF GOD

1 CORINTHIANS 4:1-2

- ① We are stewards of our \_\_\_\_\_: Is my life \_\_\_\_\_; is my life \_\_\_\_\_?

1 CORINTHIANS 6:19-20; JOHN 15:5-8

- ② We are stewards of the \_\_\_\_\_: Through the death and resurrection of Christ, we are brought into a \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with God.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-8; GALATIANS 4:4-7

- ③ We are stewards of the mystery of the \_\_\_\_\_: Through the gospel, Gentiles and Jews are brought together in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:27; EPHESIANS 3:4-12

- ④ We are stewards of the \_\_\_\_\_ around us: The \_\_\_\_\_ between God's wisdom and the world's way of thinking is a mystery.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25; ZECHARIAH 7:9-10; JOHN 7:24; GALATIANS 6:9-10

#### FOR FURTHER STUDY:

1. What does the word "stewardship" bring to mind? How would you describe a responsible person?
2. Read Luke 19:10-27. Jesus' words in verse 10 may have served to heighten the crowd's false hopes for a messiah. The story Jesus told aimed to counter any misguided expectations. In verses 12-15, what comparisons between the nobleman and Himself did Jesus highlight?
3. The rewarding of the first two servants seems simple. But the king's dialog with the third servant is detailed. With this emphasis, what point is Jesus making (keep in mind verse 11)?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-2. How did Paul and his coworkers wish to be regarded? Above all else, why do you think God requires faithfulness from his servants?
5. Read John 7:21-24. How did the Jews' opposition to healing on the Sabbath prove that they were "judging by mere appearances"?
6. How can you be a better steward of what God has already given you? What can you expect from the Lord if you use your resources for His glory?