

**LEARNING WITH LUKE 16:1-18 “TIME FOR TRUE RICHES”** P. 1040 PEW BIBLE

**Luke 16:12** “if you have not been faithful in what is another's, who will give you that which is your own?”

**1- Dishonest man's dilemma - debtors**

Luke 16:1-7 - wasteful  
Luke 12:13-21 - foolish

*When we do to others what we would not like others to do to us, we are wrong in the sight of Christ - JC Ryle  
Understand that it was illegal in Jewish culture to charge interest to fellow Jews -Ex 22:25, Lv 24:36, Dt 23:19*

**2- Be wise in worldly dealings - friends**

**Luke 16:8** “sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light”  
Luke 16:8-9 - shrewd  
Luke 12:35-40 - ready

*The master did not approve what his ex-manager had done, but admired his foresight & astuteness. -RK Hughes  
The devil has more strategies because we don't tend to think up strategies to defeat the gates of hell. -RC Sproul*

**3- What are the “true riches” ? - kingdom**

**Luke 16:11** “if you have not been faithful in unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches?”  
Luke 16:10-11 - faithful  
Luke 12:41-48 - entrusted  
Luke 10:1-16 - provided

*Giving must be matched by sharing all we have for the well-being of God's people & sharing the Gospel. -RKH  
God owns 100% of what we have. He asks for just 10% back. We are stewards, not owners. -RC Sproul*

**4- Can you serve two masters ? - no**

**Luke 16:13** “no servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”  
Luke 16:12-13 - cannot  
Luke 12:22-34 - seek first  
Luke 6:20-36 - bless - woe

*We subscribe to the truth that we cannot serve God and mammon, but we still attempt to do both. -RK Hughes  
The life of a Christian is only a lodging for the night, since we must journey on to heaven. We treat temporal things as only so much as needed to nourish the body, and help the neighbors with the balance. -M.Luther*

**5- Prepare for divine reckoning - law**

**Luke 16:14-15** The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed Him. And He said to them, “you are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”  
Luke 16:14-17 - justify  
Luke 14:12-24 - banquet  
Luke 13:22-35 - cast out  
Luke 11:37-43 - required

*What a striking contrast between man's conduct about earthly prospects, and that of care about souls - JC Ryle  
Emphasis is on networking and friends, not money itself. As the old covenant age came to a close, disciples would need people who knew how to work around normal operations, for an underground movement. -J.McD*

**DAILY BIBLE READING ENGAGE~WORD~CHURCH~COMMUNITY~WORLD**

3-21 **Luke 16:1-9** - shrewd  
3-22 **Luke 16:10-13** - true  
3-23 **Luke 16:14-17** - law  
3-24 **1 Tim 6:1-21** - riches  
3-25 **James 4:1-17** - submit  
3-26 **James 5:1-11** - selfish  
3-27 **Psalm 1:1-6** - prospers

The Spirit of God works the Word of God so the people of God become like the Son of God

♦ How will I be **transformed**, by God's truth, in the Spirit's power, as I trust & obey?

