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Multiple references in 1 & 2 Corinthians

Life is a gift entrusted to us by a loving God whose desire is that we manage the gift faithfully and wisely. Everything we have and everything we are is a temporal resource to be stewarded for eternal purposes, with an eternal mindset. The Apostle Paul understood this perfectly, and he longed for those in his spiritual care to mature fully as Christian stewards. He focuses on this priority in all his writings, but especially in his letters to the Corinthians. A closer look reveals seven crucial truths about the Stewardship of Life.

Crucial Truth #1:

Stewardship of the highest order is shown through trustworthiness of the deepest measure.

- Trustworthiness (faithfulness) is the main characteristic of the true steward.
 - 1 Corinthians 4:2
- Faithfulness in stewardship is a result of Holy Spirit empowerment.
 - Galatians 5:22

Crucial Truth #2:

Stewardship is reciprocal and proportional.

- God's provision dictates the believer's proportion.
 - 1 Corinthians 16:2
- Through meeting others' needs we meet our own.
 - 2 Corinthians 8:13-15; 9:10

Crucial Truth #3:

Stewardship demands desire and determination.

- The faithful steward wants to give and wills to give.
 - 2 Corinthians 8:3, 10

Crucial Truth #4:

Stewardship is a matter of attitude as well as action.

- Wise stewards joyfully choose to support God's work and do God's will.
 - 2 Corinthians 8:11-12; 9:7
- God loves givers who give with the right heart.
 - 2 Corinthians 9:7

Crucial Truth #5:

Stewardship demonstrated faithfully will influence significantly.

- Enthusiastic stewardship spreads like a powerful contagion.
 - 2 Corinthians 9:2

Crucial Truth #6:

Stewardship is guided by generosity.

- God blesses us greatly so that we may bless others generously.
 - 2 Corinthians 9:11-12

Crucial Truth #7:

Stewardship is governed by incontrovertible biblical laws.

- Sow sparingly, reap sparingly; sow bountifully, reap bountifully. (And at least 32 other laws!)

