

BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP

CHURCH, PRAYER, FUNCTIONS

Our lives through various scenes are drawn, And vexed with trifling cares; While thine eternal thought moves on Thine undisturbed affairs.

-Isaac Watts

I. Review

- A. God Speaks to us Through Money
- B. Does Time Management Exist?

II. Stewardship affecting church

- A. What would our churches look like?
 - 1. The Development Ethic : Hope for a Culture of Poverty
 - a. Creation is an Open System
 - b. Man is to Have Dominion Over Nature
 - c. There is Progress in the Material World, or History is Going Somewhere
 - d. Bounty is to be Created and Stewarded
 - 2. The Human Factor
 - a. Human Life is Sacred
 - b. Man is a Rebel
 - c. All Men and Nations are Equal
 - d. All Men and Nations are Unique
 - e. Work is Sacred
- B. What effect can our churches make?
 - 1. Reviving the Reformation
 - 2. Triadic Model for Reform

III. Stewardship affecting functions

- A. The fullness of creation
 - 1. What does tradition teach about our obligation to care for creation?
 - 2. Is our dominion responsible for ecological issues and/or crisis?
 - a. Societal aspect of creation mandate
 - b. Developmental aspect of creation mandate
- B. Theological Rallying Cry

IV. Stewardship affecting prayer

- A. How can our prayers change things?
- B. An Immutable God
- C. The Mystery and Nature of God

V. Concepts, Images, Practices

- A. Does our Walk Mirror Theology?
 - 1. In Money
 - 2. In Time
- B. A Challenge for Next Week and Beyond