

BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP

CHURCH, PRAYER, FUNCTIONS

Thy grace, O Father, give, That I may serve in fear; Above all boons, I pray, Grant me thy voice to hear; From sin thy child in mercy free, And let me dwell in light with thee:

- Gregory of Nazianzus

I. Review

- A. Must a Christian be a Steward
- B. Recognizing our Endowment

II. Stewardship affecting church

- A. Our involvement in Church
 - 1. MacArthur's Thoughts
 - 2. Lessons of the Manna
 - a. Goodness of God
 - b. Testing from God
 - c. God's demands
- B. What would our churches look like?
 - 1. Would we equal out cultic counterparts?
 - 2. Free and Joyous!

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. Intersection of Needs of the Human Person and integrity of Creation

IV. Stewardship affecting prayer

- A. Dependence on God
- B. An intense Gaze
- C. Looking and Addressing

V. Concepts, Images, Practices

- A. After We Recognize our Placement
 - 1. Leading into Money
 - 2. Leading into Time
- B. A Challenge for Next Week and Beyond