

**Perean Ministry—Parable of the Dishonest Manager (early 33)**

Luke 16:1–13

- 1 Now He was also saying to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and this *manager* was reported to him as squandering his possessions.
- 2 And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an accounting of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’
- 3 The manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig; I am ashamed to beg.
- 4 I know what I shall do, so that when I am removed from the management people will welcome me into their homes.’
- 5 And he summoned each one of his master’s debtors, and he *began* saying to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’
- 6 And he said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ And he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’
- 7 Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ And he said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’
- 8 And his master praised the unrighteous manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the sons of this age are more shrewd in relation to their own kind than the sons of light.
- 9 And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of the wealth of unrighteousness, so that when it fails, they will receive you into the eternal dwellings.
- 10 “He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much.
- 11 Therefore if you have not been faithful in the *use of* unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true *riches* to you?
- 12 And if you have not been faithful in *the use of* that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own?
- 13 No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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