

PRAYER PROMPTS FOR STEWARDSHIP

The ellipsis (...) *are intended to be used as pause and reflection.*

We steward the time that God gives us.

Lord, Your Word teaches that we should number our days. I should remember that my time on this side of life is limited and precious. O God, make me mindful of these things as I consider the ways I have spend the time You have given me. Bring to my mind the ways I have misused my time and, for those things, give me a repentant heart... Grant to me excitement and holy imagination for the right use of the time yet to come... Open my eyes and heart to the ways I might fill my days with things that both please you and bring joy into my life... Bless these moments, Lord, until every moment is consumed with Your Glory. In Jesus name, Amen.

We steward the talent that God gives us.

Wise God, I thank you that you have called each of us to be a part of your family of believers, the Church. You have blessed others with generosity, hospitality, encouragement, and exhortation. I praise you, Lord, for the ways that I have benefited from the giftedness of others... O, God, I thank you that in your love you chose me to live at this particular time, and in this particular place, to steward the particular talents you have given to me. Bring to my mind now how I might share my talents with Your Church... and how I might share them with the world... With gratitude I offer myself for the glory of Your great name. Amen

We steward the treasure that God gives us.

Abundant God, I come before You with a humble heart acknowledging that everything is Yours. The cattle on a thousand hills are all Yours. You know every bird in the sky by name. What can I give You, Lord, that You have not first given to me? Forgive me, Father, for every time in my life where I have forgotten that my money belongs to you—it is all

Yours... Sovereign King, move me to meditate on all the ways that you have financially provided for me in my need... Give me renewed generosity in the ways that I might faithfully share Your abundance with the Church... with my neighbors... with those in need... With gratitude for Your Son and His providence we pray. Amen.

We steward the relationships that God gives us.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, You formed us in the image of Your own triune relationship and formed us to be in relationship with each other. In your love you gave us to each other; spouses, parents, children, neighbors, coworkers and friends. Help us consider our responsibility with such a great gift, and how we might nurture these specific relationships... Grant us wisdom to steward each of these connections in ways that enhance human flourishing and glorify the dignity of every human being that you have made. Make us particularly aware today of all the relationships you have given us and show us how they might bring you glory and us joy. Amen

We steward the truth that God reveals to us.

Reconciling God, in a world so filled with vain pride, false ideologies, and deceptive world-views, we confessed that we have not always been zealous for truth. It is so much easier to rest in ignorance than pursue truth, especially when that ignorance confirms what we already believe. Forgive us God, and give us a new eagerness to pursue the truth in your written Word, which is the fountain and source of all truth. With minds set on what is holy, right and beautiful; with hearts that are set on Christ, give us the courage and opportunity to share Your truth with those around us. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.