

Disciples Church

Marriage & Singleness Series - Session 9

**Life Stewardship**

Week of March 14, 2018

**Discussion Guide**

1. When you consider the definition and nature of stewardship, do you think of yourself in a primary way as a “manager of God’s provisions and purposes” in your life? If so, how does this play out? If not, how can you begin to consider your life in this way?

2. If the highest aim and purpose of marriage is to put on display the unbreakable covenantal love of Christ and His bride the Church, do you see how being more mindful and purposeful in the area of life stewardship can help your marriage tell his great reality? Explain.

Read **1 Chronicles 29:13-17 together.**

3. Do you give of your first fruits to the Lord?

Do you faithfully budget (manage) your finances?

If not, how can your group or group leader come alongside you in this journey of stewardship?

**1 Corinthians 6:19-20** You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. (“You do not belong to yourself”)

4. It is easy to begin to think that our money and things are “ours” and forget that it all belongs to the Lord. How do you wrestle/struggle with this? How have you grown in this truth in your life?

5. Is there a purposeful priority for dating your spouse? If not how can that begin? Is there a purposeful priority for one on one time to talk, pray and plan the areas of life including money, kids, hobbies, etc? What does this look like for you?

6. Do you prioritize and make time for your spouse to get time with godly men/women of their own gender? If not, what can you do to be doing this?

7. What are you doing to prioritize time with your children/grandchildren for spiritual formation, worship and/or bible study? Glean from each other and talk about how you can hold each other accountable in this area?

8. Are you willing to invite in mature brothers and sisters to help you prayerfully consider the stewardship and economy of your job, work hours, hobbies, household chores, etc.?

9. Are you actively serving/volunteering in the church and in the community? How are you using your God-given gifts to bless and serve others?

 -We steward what God has entrusted to us for His glory. Close in prayer about our sanctification in this area in our marriages and lives and that our true and high aim would be God’s great glory!