

Reflecting the Principle through Self Evaluation

Life Principle #25

God blesses us so that we might bless others.

In what ways has God blessed you?
(spiritual gifts, spiritual opportunities, monetarily, etc.)

Have you been a good steward of the blessings you have received?

How have you used your blessings to bless others?
In what ways has this brought glory to God?

After evaluating your answers to the above questions, do you feel you have a willing spirit to be a good steward of what God has provided for you?

Prayerfully consider the following and ask yourself . . .

- Can I be trusted with the blessings God has given me?
- Is my love for God motivating me to minister to others for His glory?
- Does my relationship with God inspire me to give freely so others can know His salvation, comfort, and joy?

My role in communicating God's truth to others:

Jesus let His disciples know that they were not to keep the truth He had taught them in some personal reservoir of knowledge. (Matt. 28:19; Acts 1:8) They were to **give away everything they had received**. It is the same with our lives. We have a role in God's plan of communicating His truths to others and that role is to use the blessings He has given to us for His glory.

Paul stated that we are **ambassadors for Christ** (2 Cor. 5:20). The sole purpose of ambassadors is to relay the policies and decisions of their superiors to the people of the countries where they serve. We have an obligation to declare the divine plan and scriptural policies of our Master.

We communicate God's truths further and more effectively by our actions. **Our actions and reactions to circumstances in our lives communicate how God has impacted us.** Whether we admit it or not, others watch what we do as Christians to see if the truth of God's Word really is making a difference in our lives.

We must honestly evaluate our responses to God's communications and the role we play. When we do this the blessings we receive in life will be used for His glory. One of the ways that God conforms us to the image of Christ is by blessing us and teaching us how to be good stewards of those blessings. As we are good stewards of a little He will bless us with even more because He knows He can trust us with even more blessings.