

BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZING YOUR ENDOWMENT

We are so blessed—we just can't find a way or the words that can say, "Thank you Lord for your touch!"

- Greg Nelson

I. Review

- A. What it Means to be Saved
- B. Must a Christian be a Steward
- C. What is a Steward

II. You Were Born With a Specific God-Given Purpose

- A. Six assertions
 1. Every human being comes with a God-given purpose (Ecclesiastes 3:1)
 2. No man ever came without a God-given purpose (II Timothy 1:9)
 3. Every one was born with gifts, talents and abilities to assist them in fulfilling their God-given purpose (Romans 11:29).
 4. It is your responsibility to learn your God-given purpose (Romans 12:2)
 5. You must be able to convey your God-given purpose to others (Habakkuk 2:2).
 6. If you fail or refuse to learn your God-given purpose, your options automatically become: (a) your own personal vision for your life
- B. You Don't Find Your Purpose - You Learn It!

III. Finding your God-given Design

- A. Serving the Community
 1. Balancing the One and the Many
 2. Balancing Form and Freedom
 3. Looking at the "One-Anothers"
- B. Finding Your Giftedness
 1. Trial and error
 2. Feedback from other people
 3. Professional Standardized Career Tests
 4. Self-Assessment Career Instruments

IV. Concepts, Images, Practices

- A. Learning from Habakkuk
- B. After We Recognize our Endowment
 1. Do we Fall Short?
 2. Church, Prayer, Functions