

A Story of Two Frauds

Luke 16:1-13

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The unusualness of this parable has caused many to _____ the point Jesus was making. He was in _____ way condoning fraudulent activity, but a casual reading might leave that _____. As He taught, the Savior often pointed out attitudes and _____ of those in the crowd.

A. The Unfaithful Steward

1. He defrauded his _____.
 - a. He was _____ and was going to be held accountable.
 - b. He was in a _____.
 - (1). _____ to work as a common laborer
 - (2). Too ashamed and _____ to beg
 - c. He was selfish and _____ money.
2. He was _____.
 - a. Was he _____ over-charges, or commissions?
 - b. He had _____ available at the moment in his position.
 - c. He acted _____ with boldness.
 - d. The result was _____ defrauding his master.

B. The _____ Man

1. He condoned the sin by commending the steward's _____.
 - a. Notice in vs. 8 – “_____” lord, not “the” Lord
 - b. Jesus would _____ condone sin.
2. His focus was also on the _____ generation.
 - a. He commended the _____ of the steward.
 - b. He was _____ selfish and a lover of money.
 - c. He only saw things from this _____ of eternity.

C. The Main Lesson of the Parable

1. The children of _____.
 - a. They see far _____ than just the things that are near
 - b. They are not to be _____ by material things.
2. The _____ of unrighteousness
 - a. It does _____ mean wickedness.
 - b. It is neither moral nor immoral, but _____ moral.
 - c. Everything depends on how material things are _____.
3. Use material things _____ from God's perspective.
 - a. Everything material is only _____ and will be left behind.
 - b. Use wealth to “make friends”. That is, invest in _____ for eternity's sake
 - c. When “it” (the mammon a person has made use of) _____, there will be people in Heaven because of _____!
4. He that is _____ in the least will be faithful in much.
(verses 10-13)