



Group Discussion Guide

Ice Breaker

- **Question:** What was your first job, and what did you learn from it?

Short Summary of the Sermon

In the sermon based on Luke 16:1-15, we explored the parable of the dishonest manager. The key takeaway is that our character determines our harvest. We are all managers of God's resources, and none of us have managed perfectly. However, God values our efforts and faithfulness, even if we fall short. The sermon emphasized that our character, defined by what we consistently do, determines the blessings and responsibilities God entrusts to us. We are called to be faithful with what we have, whether it is little or much, and to serve God wholeheartedly rather than being divided in our loyalties.

Group Questions

1. Understanding the Parable:

- What was your initial reaction to the parable of the dishonest manager? Did it confuse you or make sense right away?
- How does understanding that we are the managers and not the owners change your perspective on your possessions and responsibilities?

2. Character and Faithfulness:

- How do you define character in your own words? How does this align with the definition given in the sermon?
- Can you share an example from your life where being faithful with little led to greater responsibilities or blessings?

3. Application to Daily Life:

- What are some areas in your life where you feel you have been given "little"? How can you be more faithful in those areas?
- How do you handle responsibilities or possessions that are not yours? Do you treat them with the same care as your own?

4. Serving Two Masters:

- What are some "masters" that compete for your loyalty besides God? How do you manage these competing interests?
- How can you make a conscious decision to serve God wholeheartedly in your daily life?

Life Application

- Reflect on your current responsibilities and possessions. Identify one area where you can be more faithful and diligent. Make a plan to improve in that area this week.
- Consider your character and what you consistently do. Are there habits or behaviors that need to change to align more closely with God's expectations? Write down one specific change you will work on.

Challenge

- **Weekly Challenge:** Choose one small responsibility or task that you often overlook or do half-heartedly. This week, commit to doing it with excellence and faithfulness, as if you were doing it for God. Share your experience with the group next week.