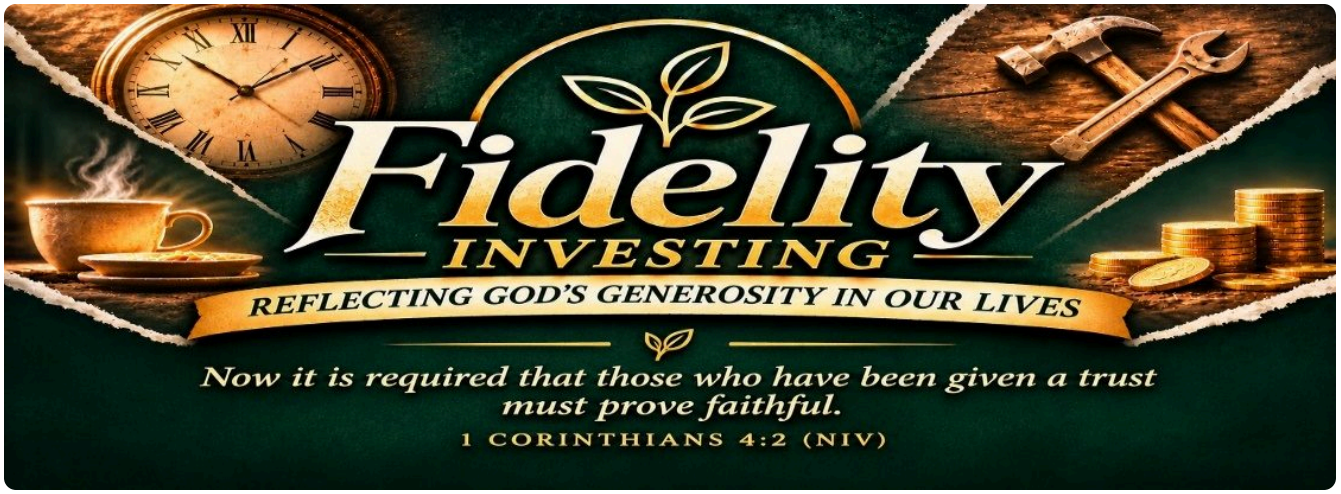


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Passing The Divine Audit

FIDELITY INVESTING · PART 1

> FIDELITY – faithfulness, loyalty, & steadfast devotion to a person or a thing

I WILL PROVE FAITHFUL IN INVESTING WHAT I HAVE WHEN I…

1 I Claim _____ Rather Than _____ .

To the Lord your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.

Deuteronomy 10:14 (NIV)

"You see, the kingdom of heaven is like a man going on a journey. He called his servants and entrusted his possessions to them."

Matthew 25:14 (EHV)

Because we are in this particular role, it is especially important that we are people of fidelity and integrity.

I Corinthians 4:2 (VOICE)

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.

1 Chronicles 29:14 (NIV)

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had…And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all 34 that there were no needy persons among them.

Acts 4:32, 33b-34a (NIV)

2 I Focus On _____ Rather Than _____ .

To one he gave five talents, to another two talents, and to still another one talent, each according to his own ability. Then he went on his journey.

Matthew 25:15 (EHV)

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)

3 I Determine To _____ Rather Than _____ .

The servant who had received the five talents immediately put them to work and gained five more talents. 17 In the same way, the servant who had received the two talents gained two more.

Matthew 25:16-17 (EHV)

"His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You were faithful with a few things. I will put you in charge of many things. Enter into the joy of your master.'"

Matthew 25:21 (EHV)

Several days later Felix came with his wife Drusilla, who was Jewish. He sent for Paul and listened to him as he spoke about faith in Christ Jesus. 25 As Paul talked about righteousness, self-control and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and said, "That's enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you."

Acts 24:24-25 (NIV)

4 I Expect _____ Rather Than _____ .

"After a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them."

Matthew 25:19 (EHV)

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

2 Corinthians 5:10 (NIV)

"Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. 13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. 14 "Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city.

Revelation 22:12-14 (NIV)

5 I See _____ Rather Than A _____ .

The servant who received the five talents came and brought five more talents. He said, 'Master, you entrusted five talents to me. See, I have gained five more talents.' 21 "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You were faithful with a few things. I will put you in charge of many things. Enter into the joy of your master.' 22 "The servant who received the two talents came and said, 'Master, you entrusted me with two talents. See, I have gained two more talents.' 23 "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You were faithful with a few things. I will put you in charge of many things. Enter into the joy of your master.' 24 "Then the servant who received one talent came and said, 'Master, I knew that you are a hard man, reaping where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter seed. 25 Since I was afraid, I went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours.' 26 "His master answered him, 'You wicked and lazy servant! You knew that I reap where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter seed? 27 Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers so that when I came I would get my money back with interest. 28 Take the talent away from him and give it to the servant who has the ten talents. 29 Because everyone who has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. But the one who does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. 30 Throw that worthless servant into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Matthew 25:20-30 (EHV)

- **The servant identifies his problem as _____.**
- **The Master identifies it as _____ & _____.**

"If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones. But if you are dishonest in little things, you won't be honest with greater responsibilities. 11 And if you are untrustworthy about worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches of heaven?

Luke 16:10-11 (NLT)

Reflect

1. Am I investing my TIME faithfully for God? What needs to change?

2. Am I investing my TALENT faithfully for God? What needs to change?

3. Am I investing my TREASURE faithfully for God? What needs to change?