

# The Parable of the Shrewd Manager



*In the Book: Luke 16*

# **I. The shrewd manager was not making friends with his master (Luke 16:1-2).**



- **When you don't do your job well, what are you doing to your boss?**
- **How does responsible behavior at work build true friendships?**

## **II. The shrewd manager made friends with his customers (Luke 16:3-7).**



- **Since the manager is not accused of theft, how is he reducing the bills?**
- **Why was it in his best interest to give the customers a better deal?**

### **III. It is wise to use worldly wealth to make friends (Luke 16:8-9).**



- **What factors keep us from using worldly wealth to make friends?**
- **What lasting benefits come when we use our wealth to make friends?**
- **How well are we investing our wealth in making friends?**

# **IV. Investing wealth in friendships protects us from loving money (Luke 16:10-13).**



- **How can we be more trustworthy in handling the blessings God has given us?**
- **What does investing in friends have to do with loving God?**

**V. God knows who loves money more than friends and is not impressed  
(Luke 16:14-15).**



- **What is wrong with justifying our choice to not invest in friends?**
- **Why is the choice to invest in friends valuable to God?**



**Call to Action: To  
deliberately invest more of  
our wealth in making  
friends.**



- How well are you making friends at work?
- What are you investing in friends at work?
- How would your outreach improve with better friendships?
- How can you know that you love friends more than money?
- How have you justified the choice to not invest in friendships?

**-How can we help?**