Series: Stories Jesus Told 9-14-24 Craig Robertson

The Joy Of Good Stewardship - Luke 19:11-27

Intro.

- A. Major Themes of the Parables:
 - 1. Surprising Arrival and Nature of God's Kingdom
 - 2. The Upside-down value system of the Kingdom
 - 3. Crisis Parable
- B. Parables explain God and His Kingdom. <u>Questions to ask Jesus</u> about the parable:
 - 1. What am I to learn about God and his Kingdom?
 - 2. What am I to learn about being a disciple in God's Kingdom?
 - 3. What am I to know about those outside of the Kingdom?
- C. <u>Context</u>: What is going on in the narrative before and after this story?

Good Stewards of the Lord risk it all to grow the Kingdom and live in the Lord's JOY forever!

- I. Jesus Has Come To Seek And Save The Lost -
 - Luke 19:11a "As they heard these things", Luke 19:7-10

II. Jesus Is A King Who Reigns Over His Growing Kingdom

• Luke 19:11-14

III. <u>Jesus Resources & Rewards Those Who Engage In His Business</u>

- 1. The Good Steward Luke 19:15-19
 - Matthew 25:21 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the **joy** of your master.'
 - Ephesians 2:8-10

2. The Self-Server - Luke 19:20-26

• Luke 19:20-26 (The Message),

3. The Rebellious – Luke 19:14, 27

Post- Context: The King wept then died for his people

• Luke 19:38, 41-44, 45; 23:21, Colossians 3:23-25

IV. Servants Who Walk In The Way Of Jesus

Devotion:

- 1. Whom have you been serving lately?
- 2. Describe your attitude in serving God. Is it more like the Self-server or Good Steward in the parable?
- 3. What would it look like for you to take on more risk in your stewarding the Lord's resources to grow his Kingdom?
- 4. Pray and ask the Lord to help you the heart of Zacchaeus.