

# Making Stewardship Work to Fulfillment



**Genesis 1:26-28**

- The principle of stewardship is “God’s plan to fulfill our lives.”
  - Purpose: a character building, principle
  - Objective: how to be a wise steward over the provisions of God
  - Goal: to super abound and meet the needs of others.
- We have learned:
1. We are the stewards of the Most High God
  2. We have stewardship over our persons.
  3. The devastation of a disobedient steward.
- Stewardship – the right to care for the property of another.
  - The conclusion of stewardship is “Making Stewardship Work to My Fulfillment.”
  - Verse 28 gives us scriptural instructions on stewardship fulfillment.
1. The first thing that God did was to bless them!
    - To bless means to give His favor!!!
    - To function in His image means that man could conform to the moral character of God.
    - To function in His likeness means that we could act like God and get the results of God.
    - Matthew 16:19 – Jesus said “I have given you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever things you bind on earth I will bind it in heaven.”
    - You are in charge!
    - The wise steward is the one who applies the principles of God!
    - Application of these spiritual principles work.
  2. The second thing God said was to be fruitful.
    - In order to have fulfillment out of stewardship we must bring forth fruit.
    - To bring forth fruit means to bring to perfection the inherent power or inherent energy of a living organism (2 Cor. 4:7).
    - To be fruitful means that the fruit that we bear is the visible manifestation of the power working inwardly and invisibly.

- The character of the fruit is the evidence of the character of the power producing it (Matt. 7:16).
  - If the inherent power inside of them is the power of the Holy Spirit, then the fruit will be two fold.
    - A. The fruit of the Spirit.
    - B. The gifts of the Spirit.
      - The fruit of the Spirit – love, joy, and peace.
      - The gifts of the Spirit give us the supernatural power to function.
      - Those supernatural perfection gifts are released to bring out the best in others and in my life.
      - The supernatural protection gifts, help me to protect myself and others from the wiles of the devil.
3. The expectation of multiplication.
- To multiply means to make an increase in the quantity and the quality of life.
  - To have an overflow.
  - There are two ways to overflow.
    - A. Spiritually multiplying (2 Cor. 4:14-15).
      - It is not God's desire that we just have enough.
    - B. Natural overflow (Mark 10:28-30).