Would anyone characterize you as a spiritual benefactor?

 Would you characterize your financial holdings as something that belongs to you, or something you are a steward of?

Does your spending corroborate this belief?

 Are you as shrewd to make a spiritual profit as the world is to make a personal one?

Have you been faithful in the little things?

• Do you love money?

Does God get the kind of attention your money does?

How can you creatively invest in the kingdom of God?

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- 1. The manager is questioned (1,2)
- 2. The manager tries to secure his future (3-7)
 - A. The manager is <u>right</u> to be concerned about his future (3)
 - B. The manager devises a <u>crafty</u> plan (4)
 - C. The manager calls in his masters debtors and <u>adjusts</u> their bills (5-7)
 - i. Option 1 (cuts the price = rips off his master)
 - ii. Option 2 (cuts the interest = exposes his master's illegal practices)
 - iii. Option 3 (removed his own commission or mark up = profit for master)
- 3. The manager's shrewdness is commended (8)
 - A. By his master
 - B. By Jesus
- 4. Use earthly resources to make a spiritual profit (9-15)
 - A. Faithful in <u>little</u>, faithful in <u>much</u>
 - B. Money is either a <u>trap</u> or a <u>tool</u>