

**Week of February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 - Discussion Questions for Ohana Groups  
Graciously (Shrewd Manager) | Luke 16:1-15**

**Overview**

In Jesus' parable of the shrewd manager, we see a man commended for his crafty, cunning business dealings. Such shrewdness is not the end game, instead, Jesus challenges us to make a difference for Him through our relationships, using the gifts and abilities in ways that benefit His kingdom.

**OHANA TIME!**

**Icebreaker:** If you had an opportunity to try out any kind of job, what would you try?

**Ohana Time!** (this is an opportunity to be creative and to try out new things as an Ohana Group! Feel free to include children): Draw a sketch or picture that you perceive from this passage and share with your group or family.

**BIBLE: Read 16:1-15**

1. In what crisis does the manager find himself? What plan does he devise?
2. Why does the owner commend the manager shrewdness in verse 8?
3. Retell the parable using a contemporary setting and with modern characters. What new insights have you gained?
4. How does Jesus summarize the parable in verse 9? What are some tangible ways one can be prudent or wise in our relationships by using the gifts and abilities God has given to each person to advance the work of the kingdom?
5. What reward in heaven is waiting for those who are faithful and honest with what God has called those to steward?
6. Verses 10-13 expand on Jesus' parable on possessions and stewardship. Which of Jesus' teaching is the most challenging? Most controversial? Most "dying to self?"
7. Describe someone who "serves" money and somebody that "serves" God. How can you distinguish them?

**APPLICATION**

1. Make a list of qualities that define a biblical steward of God's blessing (ex. honest, prudent). Which qualities describe you? Which qualities do you need to work on?
2. What kind of gifts, abilities, and possessions has God blessed you with? What are some ways you can be prudent or wise in how you utilize them for the benefit of the work of the kingdom? (ex. opening up your home to host an Ohana Group). How does working with one another (gathering resources) provide new opportunities to serve God's kingdom? Brainstorm as an Ohana Group.

**PRAYER**

1. Give God praise for His bountiful goodness and blessing!
2. Pray for prudence and wisdom as God's steward for one another. Pray for trusting faith that seeks first God's kingdom and righteousness.

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