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## OUTLINE 3/16/12: LUKE 16:1-16

### The *Prodigal* Servant

#### Luke 16:1-16

**1. Every Christian is a steward: vs 1-** “oiko/nomos” The *gifts* and *resources* to serve. God’s economy in your hands. Psalm 119:91/Ecc 5:9 /1 Peter 4:10/ Titus 1:7/ 1 Corinthians 4:1,2

**2. The expectation of profit: vs 2** *He called him*, John 15:8 Productivity, increase **Luke 19:15** – Talents, gifts, resources, (required) Parents, teachers, all believers.

The Church of God – Old/New

**3. The wastefulness of the resources: vs 16:1c, 2a,** (waste/ 15:3). **3 Reasons:** *No respect for the company / disregard of the clientele/ greed and covetousness. FALSE RELGION*

**4. The ANALOGY of money to the gospel: vs 11 / Col 2:3/ Eph 1:18.** The riches of Christ. Isa 55:1- Buy the truth and sell it not!

**5. The inferior prudence of the ungodly steward: vs 3-8** He corrected a calamity and secured a job. He made the *owner look* good, and the *clients feel* good. Lowering their debt. vs 9 – Honoring God and liberating sinners is the gospel. Mt 11:28

**6. Beware of covetousness: vs 13, 14** It is the root to every form of idolatry and it will cause you to mismanage the Lords resources in your life: 1 John 2:14, 15-17/ Col 3:5,6

Luke 12:32-34- “ The Kingdom is God’s objective for you”

**7. Christ our great model:** John 9:4/ 4:34/ He did not waste his time. He was diligent in the management of his Fathers resources and we have benefited from it. John 15:11-15