

# Entrusted With True Riches

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## **The Do's and Don'ts for Church Leaders in the Area of Finance**

Jesus said in Luke 16:11, *'So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?'* As a team, we have known tests and blessing in this area. Here are my reflections for church leaders:

### **Common Mistakes:**

1. We don't intentionally apply faith for increase in our budgets
2. Leaders believe that their personal stewardship doesn't matter
3. We focus on giving, not stewardship
4. It is left to the "finance guys" with a type of mistaken pride around what are spiritual matters
5. Infrequent, poor quality communication to the church

### **Positive Leadership:**

1. Practice excellence in stewardship, personally and corporately
2. Model true, open accountability in all leaders
3. Set specific faith goals with prayer and fasting
4. Make finance part of vision-building, based on God's biblical economic principles
5. Habitually sow into the kingdom outside of ourselves