

QUOTE OF THE WEEK
WE LOSE THE PEACE OF YEARS
WHEN WE HUNT AFTER THE RAPTURE OF MOMENTS.

SERMON HANDOUT for June 29, 2025



IT'S TIME TO BE WISE!

Luke 16:1-12 NKJV, Key Verse: 16:8

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INTRODUCTION

- † Luke 16:1-12 NKJV - Key Verse: 16:8
- † Matthew 10:16b NKJV
- † Proverbs 4:7 NKJV
- † Psalms 111:10 NKJV
- † Proverbs 2:6 NKJV
- † James 1:5 NKJV

WISDOM IS NOT JUST KNOWING; IT'S KNOWING HOW TO APPLY WHAT YOU KNOW!

Someone once said,

"Wisdom is often described as the ability to make sound judgments based on knowledge, experience, and understanding."

God's intent for us, in sharing this parable and making this statement:

Luke 16:8 NKJV

GOD'S INTENT IS THAT WE MIGHT...

1) LEARN - Luke 16:8 NKJV

⁸ So the master commended the unjust steward ...

Commended — means to praise, to give recognition.

*What did he do that was so commendable?...**Foresight and Planning!***

- † Luke 16:3 NKJV
 - † Luke 14:28 NKJV
 - † Proverbs 20:18 NKJV
 - † Proverbs 2:11 GW
 - † Proverbs 27:12 KJV
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2) **LEVERAGE** - Luke 16:8 NKJV

⁸ ... because he had dealt shrewdly ...

Shrewdly: (Greek: *φρονιμώτεροι* phronimōteroi) - prudent; wisdom; understanding.

Prudent: *the ability to govern and discipline oneself by the use of reason: skill and good judgment in the use of resources.*

What did he do that was so shrewd?...He leveraged the resources at his disposal.

† Luke 16:5-7 NKJV

† Proverbs 28:8 NLT

† Leverage: *the power to influence a person or situation to achieve a particular outcome...*

† 1 Chronicles 12:32 NLT

† Proverbs 13:22 NKJV

Knowledge is neither good or bad...it's A-moral!!!

It would be well if the children of light would learn wisdom from the men of the world, and would as earnestly pursue their better object.

3) **LEAD** - Luke 16:8 NKJV

⁸ ... For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light.

We are told in Scripture, that we are to be Light and Salt

† Matthew 5:13-16 NKJV

— Salt is not necessarily seen but it Influences... for Good...

— Light is not countercultural...most people like light...

God expects us to lead by example!

† Psalms 50:23 NKJV

† Luke 16:9-12 NLT

If God gave Solomon the wealth of the World because he asked for Wisdom,
Why wouldn't He do the same for you if choose to live wisely?

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