GIVING ACCOUNT TO GOD Luke 16:1-2

Romans 14:12 The word <u>account</u> has the meaning of - (giving an explanation of one's reasons, causes, and motives regarding one's actions or conduct).

I Corinthians 3:9-15; II Cor. 5:10 In these verses Paul gives more details for exactly what we will account for at the Judgment Seat of Christ. We will give account for how our spiritual building blocks, (works, service), were used during our Christian life. Our time, tithe, talent and motives will be judged.

I Corinthians 4:2 The definition of a *steward* is a person employed to manage the business, the assets, and the servants of a family or business and be able to keep accurate accounts.

Matthew 25:14-15; Luke 12:42-48 In these parables Jesus defines for us what He expects from His people. Each of us have been given abilities and spiritual gifts from the Lord to use for His glory. We are only held accountable for what we can do, not for what others can do. Christ gives us the tools and His word and wants us to use them to be faithful in that which we can do.

OUR RECORD REVEALED

II Timothy 2:15 We are held accountable to know the word of God. We need to know basic salvation doctrine and should know true doctrine from false doctrine. God gave us everything we need to know.

Hebrews 5:11-14 The writer is admonishing these church members because they have been saved for a long time but because of slacking off in bible study cannot understand good from evil.

I Corinthians 3:1-2 The Apostle Paul admonishes the weak believers in Corinth and is trying to get them to grow up in the Lord. He refers to them as carnal, (backslidden, living in the flesh), and babes. Ephesians 1:15-19 Paul is praying that this growing church will continue to search the scriptures in

order to find God's will for their lives and that they may receive God's wisdom and spiritual power.

Romans 12:1-2 We are held accountable to control ourselves by the word of God. First of all we are to submit to God and present ourselves to Him for His use. Second, the only way we can turn away from the world and all the sin that it brings to us is to renew our mind by saturating it with God's word.

Philippians 4:8-9 Our mind is the engine of our actions. We are accountable to think of spiritual things that are pleasing to God in order to maintain sweet, peaceful fellowship with Him.

I Corinthians 9:24-27 Paul tells us that we must work at being disciplined in order to bring our bodies into subjection to the spiritual warfare we are fighting. We could become a "castaway", or spiritually shipwrecked if we let our guard down "lest Satan get an advantage" or a foothold in us.

John 14:26 We are held accountable for remembering bible truth. There is little or no excuse for believers not to know right from wrong. Everything God wants from us is in His word and we are responsible to know it. The Holy Spirit wants to teach us the word but most believers are unteachable.

II Peter 1:12-15 Just before his crucifixion Peter wrote of God's great and precious promises to us and of Christian graces that we need to incorporate into our lives and then spoke of remembering them.

Luke 8:15 In His parable of the sower Jesus shows us that it is receiving and keeping the word of God that will help us to bring forth good fruit in our lives. We are accountable to have good fruit.

I Corinthians 16:13 We are held accountable for taking a Christian stand. In this verse there is little doubt Paul is speaking of standing fast in the faith when trials and persecutions come our way.

Galatians 5:1 Paul is talking here about standing fast on the word of God that teaches us that we are in the dispensation of grace and are not under the bondage of anything that teaches work salvation.

Ephesians 6:10-11 Paul tells us that the only way we can even recognize Satan's attacks is to be fully clothed in the complete armor of God. We are accountable to God for how we fight the Devil.