

Passage Outline:

Vs. 1-2

- **Jesus again spoke to His disciples:
(Another parable)**
- **A rich man and his steward:**
 - **charges against the steward**
 - **the steward removed**

Vs. 3-8

- **The steward formulates a plan**
 - **he considers his future**
 - **he addresses the owner's debtors**
 - **he and debtors alter the accounts**
- **The owner applauds the steward**

Vs. 9-13

- **Jesus concludes (?):**
 - **Make friends**
 - **Faithful in little**
 - **If not faithful in unjust monies
If not faithful with others' goods**
 - **Unable to serve two masters**

Key words/ thoughts:

scatter/ squander (διασκορπίζω); **steward** (οἰκονόμος); **manage** (οἰκονομέω); **charge** (διαβάλλω/ 'devil'); **take away** (ἀφαιρέω); **dig** (σκάπτω); **remove** (μεθίστημι); **debtor** (χρεωφειλέτης/ loan-ower); **field** (praise); **cease** (ἐκλείπω)

Questions:

In this parable, with who do you identify? With the steward? With the debtors? With the owner? If you identify with none of the three, then what is the parable's point?

What did Jesus mean by "eternal home"?

Do you view yourself as serving two masters? Why/ why not?

