



LISTEN UP!

Luke 16:1-15 – “The Shrewd Manager”

Savvy spirituality!

STEP 1 – Find the book of **Luke** in your Bibles ...

STEP 2 – Follow in the Bible and **listen up!**

What’s the word we use to describe this kind of story that Jesus told? P _ _ _ _ _

Sometimes these stories seem really odd. But there’s *something* in them to make us think hard, often to teach us something about “the Kingdom of Heaven” (or “the Kingdom of God”, same thing): what things might look like when God is at work.

Setting up the story (v1)

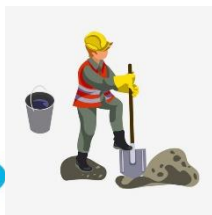
What’s the accusation?

The manager has been W _ _ _ _ _ his master’s P _ _ _ _ _

Do you think this is true?	YES	MAYBE	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>	yes
Does it matter, as Jesus tells the story?	YES	MAYBE	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>	no
				<input type="checkbox"/>	maybe

The story unfolds (vv 2-7)

The manager is out of work. What other jobs does he think about?



What goods has the manager been trading in?

O _ _ _ _ O _ _

W _ _ _ _

How happy were his customers with the deal he offered?



What was his master's response to the deal? (v8)

“The M C the dishonest manager because he had acted S" ”

Can you explain that in your own words?

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Would YOU have been happy with what happened?



Jesus' explanation (vv 8-15)

Jesus uses some very surprising words when explaining what this story could mean for us. Can you find these words or phrases in the Bible passage? (CLUE: they're in the Bible order here.)

“E _ _ _ N _ _ D _ _ _ _ _ G S” verse

“T _ _ _ R _ _ _ _ _” verse

“P _ _ _ _ _ TY O _ Y _ _ _ O _ _” verse

Are these things that YOU want?

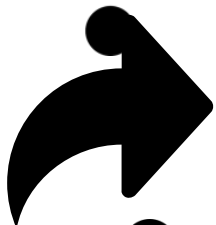
- yes**
- no**
- maybe**

Do you need to ask someone how you can have them?

STEP 3 – During / After the preach...



Have you got any questions about all of this? If so, *write them down*



What is God calling you to do? Write it down...



What do you need God's help with? Write it down...