LUKE 12:42

⁴² The Lord answered, "Who then is the faithful and wise manager, whom the master puts in charge of his servants to give them their food allowance at the proper time?

This manager is a good steward and he has the trust of his own Master to look after the servants properly. What is the definition of a steward? Well it's someone who is trusted to look after other people's money or their interests. The steward cannot do as he or she wants to do but is being trusted to manage the affairs of the person who has trusted them to carry out what they wish to be done in their name. Just like bank managers they head up working with money invested into the bank and they are also trusted with the investors' money to be able to make it work to its best advantage for the investor, and stockholders. This person cannot in any shape or form use any of this money for personal use. If the "steward" of this money uses it to gain financial gain for himself the long arm of the law would bear down upon him and would end up in prison. Trust is massive when being the steward of others affairs.

There are other verses in the bible which illustrate that every Christian is an overseer of God's grace. All the gifts and money and our skills that we own and the knowledge of God's eternal love for us are to used wisely. We have been granted all that we have from God and we must be trusted by him and will be responsible to God if we treat what we have been given in a way that would bring down the wrath of God on our heads. If we remember at all times that it is central to achieving our commitment to God to be wise and faithful stewards of His abundant grace.

Loving God, we pray through the Holy Spirit that we will always be faithful stewards of all that we do in your holy name Amen.