









## Stewardship of Relationship "Best Practices" - Philippians 4:1-9

### 6. Bathe everything in prayer - 4:6-7

"Do not be anxious about anything, but **in everything by prayer and supplication** with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

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- remembering the presence of the Lord and His interests in the conduct of our relationships
- letting His presence and interests moderate or control our interaction
- relying on prayer as a fundamental tool for growing and effecting change in our relationships

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### 7. Direct your thinking to good - 4:8

"Finally, brothers, whatever is **true**, whatever is **honorable**, whatever is **just**, whatever is **pure**, whatever is **lovely**, whatever is **commendable**, if there is any **excellence**, if there is anything **worthy of praise**, think about these things."







# Stewardship of Treasures

## Assumptions

1. The other core competencies form the foundation of this one
2. Ultimately, God is the owner of all our treasures (Psalm 24:1-2)
3. Ultimately, a person's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions (Luke 12:15)
4. Whatever we have we have received from God (John 3:27)
5. God does not need any of the treasures He has entrusted to us (Psalm 50:7-15)

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## Applications - How to develop the core competency of stewardship of treasures

1. Embrace the seven assumptions (and the rest of the Bible's teaching on stewardship) in your heart, on a heart-deep level
2. Embrace the importance of stewarding "small" treasures
3. Apply the seven assumptions across four activities of stewardship: supplying, sharing, saving, and spending (debt reduction, meeting needs and obligations, other legitimate, biblical priorities, and desires)
4. Apply the seven assumptions to what you keep (not just to income, but also to investments and other items of value)
5. Place equal priority (at a minimum) on sharing/giving
6. Communicate with God about your stewardship
7. Be intentional (make a plan, a budget, and work it)

# A 5-Finger Grip on the Word



