



## ***“What Are We To Offer When We Give Our Offering?”***

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I. Yet another Hollywood movie that wrestles with life’s biggest themes, but then leaves something rather important out.

II. We Come to The Part Of Our Service Called *“The Offering”*.

1. There’s something appropriate in doing “the offering” right after Confession & Absolution”. Why?

2. So what are we to offer when we give our offering? We need to remind ourselves of a great Bible word:

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3. What does this word mean in the Bible?

*A steward is entrusted with the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of acting in the name of the Master.*

4. Where does this concept first appear in the Bible?

5. What more do we learn about stewards in the OT?

6. How does Jesus pull forward the concept of stewardship in his teaching?

III. The Parable of the Talents illustrates what could be called the *Two Pillars of Stewardship*:

Pillar #1: I am made \_\_\_\_\_.

Pillar #2: I am made \_\_\_\_\_.

You might say, “I’m new to the faith. I’m inexperienced. I don’t know enough yet. This stewardship thing doesn’t apply to me, does it?”  
The Bible’s answer (1 Peter 4:10):

IV. So what are we to offer when we give our offering? (Another way to ask the question is: What are the things that God has given me stewardship over?)