

1 Sam. 7: 3. "If ye do return
unto the Lord with all your
hearts, then put away
the strange gods and
Ashtaroth from among
you, and prepare your
hearts unto the Lord,
and serve Him only,
and He will deliver
you out of the hand
of the Philistines."

For 20 yrs. Isr. God's chosen
people - in the hands of
Philistines. The Lord
wants to deliver His people,
He will on certain
conditions.

(1.) Return unto Lord with
all your hearts.

(2.) The Evidence of true
repentance & faith -
"put away strange gods
& Ashtaroth from among
you, and -
(3.) serve Him only. The promise

There are references in v. O. T.
to v. tithe as a rule giving.
They are as follows:

(1st) Gen. 14:20. This is v.
first tithe as v. basis -
giving & tithing v. story. Abram
giving tithes to Melchizedek.
It is thus recorded.

Heb. 12:1. Looking unto Jesus.

Let us look to Him.

1. As r object of our
Salvation. Is. 46:22 "Look unto
me - all ye ends of earth + be saved
for I am God + there is none else."
2. As r example of "is none
else". Heb. 12:2.

3. As the subject of our
theme. Jno. 1:36 "Christ is
answer" slogan for
our revival.

4. As r Consumation of
our hopes. Heb. 9:28. Phil.

3:20. Heb. 9:28: 30 Christ
was once offered to bear the
sins of many, and unto them
that look for Him. Thrice He
appeared a second time
without sin unto salvation.

Gen. Theme: "Stewardship."

my subj: "The biblical back-ground for Stewardship."

In 1st Cor. 4:1-2 - we read:

"Let a man account of us
as of the ministers of
Christ, and Stewards of the
mysteries of God. (2) more-
over it is required of
Stewards that a man be
found faithful."

my subject is not fitting
except as fitting relates
itself to the broader
principle of Stewardship.
In my own thinking it
is impossible to sepa-
rate the two. I am ask-
ing the biblical
background of Stewardship.
I have attention to
the O.T. background for

Stewardship².

John 3:16, "For God so loved
the world, etc."

"This text teaches us some
very important things
about the love of God.
It teaches us that our
salvation begins in
God's love. We are not
saved because we love
God. We are saved because
God loves us. Our sal-
vation begins in God's
loving us and it ends
in our loving God.
I. The ~~first~~ thing our text teaches
us about God's love
is that God's love is
universal. "God so loved
the world;" not some part
of it, not some elect people
not some select class, but
"God so loved the world."
God loves the rich, but God

loves & poor just as
much as he loves
& rich. God loves & edu-
-cated; but God loves
& uneducated just as
much. God loves & gr-
Scholar, & man of
Science, & university
professor, & student,
but God loves & man
who can't read or
write just as much
as he loves & brilliant
Scientist or philosopher
on earth.

2nd Thing. God's love is a
holier love. "God so loved
the world that he gave
his only begotten Son."

3rd. The 3rd thing about that
love is, the greatness

of it. "God so loved
the world that He gave His
only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth in
Him should not perish
but have everlasting
life."