**SCC SMALL GROUP STUDY**

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**Faithfulness in Fallenness**

**Luke 16:1-14**

**Getting Started:**

1. Who has been one of the shrewdest business people you've ever met?

 \* What impressed you or depressed you about that person?

2. When it comes to "what you’re good at" share what you think are your top 3

 "good ats."

3. How would you describe a faithful person?

**Searching the Scriptures:**

1. To whom is Jesus addressing this parable?

 \* Why is it especially important to know to whom it's directed?

2. In what crisis does the manager find himself?

 \* What does he say to himself (v.3)?

 \* What plan does he concoct?

 3. In light of this deceit, why does the owner commend the manager (v.8)?

 4. How does Jesus summarize this parable in verse 9?

 \* Is Jesus commending dishonesty?

 \* Is He commending prudently preparing and providing for the future?

 \* The use of money?

 \* What do you think He's commending here?

 \* How does verses 10-12 help understand His point?

 \* Does it confuse the point for you?

 5. What's the problem with trying serve two Masters (v.13)?

 6. Who's listening in on this conversation (v.14)?

 7. What characterizes their attitude?

 \* How does He use the parable to speak to them (v. 15)?

**Application of the Scripture:**

1. If Jesus was to drop into your "life" right now, how would He feel about how you

 are you using your resources (time, talent, treasure and touch)?

2. What were the circumstances in your life when you learned that "you can’t serve both

 God and money?"