

Stewardship

In June of 1965, President David O. McKay was talking to a group of brethren from the Physical Facilities Department of the Church who were gathered in his Hotel Utah apartment. While explaining to them the importance of the work they were engaged in, he paused and told them the following:

Let me assure you, Brethren, that some day you will have a Personal Priesthood Interview with the Savior Himself. If you are interested, I will tell you the order in which He will ask you to account for your earthly responsibilities.

First, He will request an accountability report about your relationship with your wife. Have you actively been engaged in making her happy and ensuring that her needs have been met as an individual?

Second, He will want an accountability report about each of your children, individually. He will not attempt to have this for simply a family stewardship, but will request information about your relationship to each and every child.

Third, He will want to know what you personally have done with the talents you were given in the pre-existence.

Fourth, He will want a summary of your activity in your church assignments. He will not be necessarily interested in what assignments you have had, for in His eyes the home teacher and mission president are probably equals. He will request a summary of how you have been of service to your fellowmen in your church assignments.

Fifth, He will have no interest in how you earned your living, but if you were honest in all your dealings.

Sixth, He will ask for an accountability on what you have done to contribute in a positive manner to your community, state, country, and the world.