Luke 16:1-15 Parable of the Shrewd Manager

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13 "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." 14 The Pharisees, who loved money, heard all this and were sneering at Jesus. 15 He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of others, but God knows your hearts. What people value highly is detestable in God's sight.

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Romans 10:13-15

13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

14 How then can they call on the One in whom they have not believed? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone to preach? 15 And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

CHINA	PHILIPPINES
Support Mongolians already working in	Pastor Ocquiola (Faith's dad) reaching out
China - 2 couples and a single woman	to unreached indigenous people
Need support to stay	Planting church
Very small support base in Mongolia	Needs funds to expand farming program
• SEEKING: \$1,000/month for each couple	to support ongoing and future work
and \$500/month for the single woman	SEEKING: One-time gifts totaling \$5,000
PHILIPPINES	BANGLADESH
Hectares of Hope initiative in rural areas	Lipton and Juliet doing evangelism,
Planting Missional Groups which are	discipleship, Ch planting & work w/ poor
reproducible home churches	• Goal to establish farm project for pigs,
• Goal: 30-40 groups in first 18 months	fish, rice and vegetables to sustain
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sustainable through livelihood thereafter	• SEEKING: \$33,000 funds to establish farm

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The Wallet



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Jesus Christ