



# The Twelve Gardens of Stewardship

*Applying Christian Stewardship to Every Area of Our Lives*

## Twelve Gardens of Stewardship for Families

### Reflection for Parent Packets

#### **GARDEN OF THE SOUL**

As people of faith, it's important for us to take time to care for our souls through prayer, worship, and actively maintaining our relationship with God. Nurturing ourselves by tending to our souls helps promote our inner peace and ultimately be more effective in every area of our lives.

##### **For Adults**

Thank God and praise Him in the presence of your children. Talk to them about your faith in God and let them see you acknowledge His gifts and goodness. Talk to them about your faith in God's will when you're challenged with difficulties, as well.

##### **For Children**

When you pray, concentrate on what you are saying to God. It helps to close your eyes and imagine God listening to you, caring very much about you and being with you – because He is!

##### **Families Together**

Having a prayer 'plan' makes it more likely that the family will make time to pray together – in the car on the way to school, in the morning or bedtime, during meals. What starts as a prayer plan will eventually become a valuable family ritual.