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Your Building Is a Ministry Multiplier

"Your church building is more than brick and mortar — it's a reflection of your mission and a tool God has entrusted to you."

Quick Question	**Big Idea**
How many of you feel like your building interrupts your ministry at least once a week?	Stewardship isn't about the building. It's about protecting the ministry happening inside it.

A Theology of Stewardship

Facilities = entrusted resources, meant to support the mission.

Scriptural Foundations for Priestly Stewardship

1. Daily & Weekly Facility Maintenance
- Exodus 27:20–21 — Priests tended the lampstand daily.
- Exodus 30:7–8 — Daily incense and lamp maintenance.
- Leviticus 24:5–8 — Bread of the Presence replaced every Sabbath.

2. Guarding & Administering the Sanctuary
- Numbers 18:1,5 — Priests kept guard over the sanctuary.
- Numbers 3:5–8 — Levites handled logistics and furnishings.
- 1 Chronicles 23:28–32 — Cleaning courts, chambers, and holy things.

3. Interpreting God's Will & Guiding the People
- Deuteronomy 17:8–9 — Priests rendered decisions.
- Malachi 2:7 — Priests taught and guarded knowledge.
- Numbers 27:21 — Discernment through the Urim.

4. Stewardship of Sacred Space & Resources
- 2 Chronicles 24:4–5 — Priests oversaw repairs to God's house.
- Numbers 4:16 — Oversight of the tabernacle and its systems.
- Numbers 18:3 — Guarding sacred furnishings.

"From trimmed lamps and fresh bread to guarded entrances and prepared spaces, Scripture shows that faithful worship has always depended on faithful stewardship."

How We Care for Our Spaces

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How we care for our spaces shapes how people experience our Savior.
It can also inadvertently communicate how we present our feelings toward our community and our Lord.
We are either going to do it, or we will not.

Cleanliness communicates care.
Functionality communicates readiness.
Safety communicates love of neighbor.

"If God trusts us with a building, He expects us to steward it intentionally and consistently."

Reactive vs. Proactive Leadership

Reactive Reality:
• Crisis-driven repairs.
• Emergency-heavy budgets.
• Burnout.

Proactive Approach:
• Planning instead of scrambling.
• Predictability instead of panic.
• Freedom to lead.

"If you don't schedule your maintenance, your building will schedule it for you — and it never picks a good time."

The Real Numbers Behind Preventive Maintenance (PM)

• Deferred maintenance compounds 7–15% annually.
• Every $1 in PM prevents $4–$5 in emergency expenses.
• PM extends asset life 30–50%.

Commonly missed PM Opportunities:
Filters, HVAC inspections, coil cleaning, clutter removal, roof & gutter checks, drainage evaluations, parking lot inspections, plumbing, doors, windows, matting, custodial equipment.

Beyond the Checklist — PM as Ministry Care

• PM reduces risk and protects guests.
• Reliable spaces enhance worship, learning, and community life.
• A well-stewarded building becomes a ministry multiplier.

Benefits of a CMMS

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For Pastors: visibility, budgets, accountability
For Facility Teams: work orders, PM schedules, asset tracking, reminders, logs

A Simple 4-Step Framework

1. Assess reality
2. Build PM rhythm
3. Track everything
4. Plan 3–5 years

"Your building preaches a sermon long before anyone steps on stage."

Where to Start

Walk the building.
Build a PM list.
Explore a CMMS.

"You're not maintaining a building — you're stewarding a tool God uses to form disciples."

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