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Dear Brothers,

Along with practically all publishers in the organization, we are eagerly awaiting your explanation of the “new light” pertaining to the faithful and discreet slave mentioned at *Matthew 24:45-47*. We took special interest in the December 15, 2012 Watchtower article for study during the week, February 4-10, 2013, entitled “*You Are A Trusted Steward!*”

This article explains rather clearly that:

“all who serve God have a stewardship.” (Paragraph 3);

“a steward is often a trusted slave assigned to supervise the household”  
(Paragraph 3);

“all who serve God are stewards, and with their stewardship comes honor, trust, and responsibility” (Paragraph 7);

“We [the stewards] have been given a precious gift – the knowledge of the truth. God expects us to share that knowledge with others.” (Paragraph 13)

“this stewardship meant both scrupulously caring for the ‘sacred secrets’ and faithfully imparting such to others as directed by the Master, Jesus Christ.” (Paragraph 13)

“The important things is to do *all* that we personally can.” (Paragraph 14)

“We must be faithful, trustworthy.” (Paragraph 15)

“We enjoy positions of great honor, entrusted as we are with the never-to-be-repeated work of declaring the good news during the last days of this system of things.” (Paragraph 21)

And concluding with “Let us, then be faithful stewards.” (Paragraph 21)

Everything in this article emphasizes that **each one of us** must be a ‘faithful and discreet slave’ declaring the good news of the kingdom to the best of our ability. That is what we are endeavoring to do by means of our website, [www.AnointedJW.org](http://www.AnointedJW.org)

The only strange idea mentioned in the article is in paragraph 3 where it indicates that there are two classes of ‘faithful and discreet stewards.’ When referring to the faithful and discreet slave of *Matthew 24:45-47* and *Luke 12:42-44*, it states:

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“Most faithful Christians now alive are not members of that faithful steward class. However, the Scriptures show that all who serve God have a stewardship.”

Perhaps when you explain the “new light,” you can articulate the scriptural distinction between being a member of the faithful and discreet slave Jesus referred to in *Matthew 25:45-47*, and being ‘a greatly honored and trusted’ faithful and discreet steward of Jesus Christ. We are unable to.

Actually, it appears to us that **again** the spirit of the Father is leading you, even without your express intent, to an enhanced understanding of your role as mere “fellow workers” with the Christ, and not as men entrusted with the oversight of our spiritual lives. As Jesus said, we are all brothers with equal standing before the Father.

“But you, do not you be called Rabbi, for one is your teacher, whereas all you are brothers. Moreover, do not call anyone your father on earth, for one is your Father, the heavenly One. Neither be called ‘leaders,’ for your Leader is one, the Christ. But the greatest one among you must be your minister. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”  
– *Matthew 23:8-12*

We believe that as time goes on, the spirit of the Father will continue to shine a bright light on the true good news of the Kingdom of the Heavens and on each of our respective roles in it, in spite of all efforts to the contrary, no matter how well intended.

For this reason, we continue to walk with you in this path toward the bright light!

Your Brothers and Ambassadors for Christ,  
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