

**Series recap:**

1. Stewardship is managing God's \_\_\_\_\_ for God's \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Giving is a chance for my \_\_\_\_\_ to intersect with God's \_\_\_\_\_.
3. God views all my possessions as a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and a \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Conversion is a supernatural \_\_\_\_\_ that produces a supernatural \_\_\_\_\_.

**The Determining Factors of Giving**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 6:25-33

*"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? <sup>26</sup>Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? <sup>27</sup>Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?*

*<sup>28</sup>"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. <sup>29</sup>Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. <sup>30</sup>If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup>So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' <sup>32</sup>For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. <sup>33</sup>But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

- Your giving reveals whether the kingdom is a \_\_\_\_\_ in your life or not.

2. \_\_\_\_\_

- We build financial \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives by not \_\_\_\_\_.
- Nothing prepares you for a *rainy day* like \_\_\_\_\_ today.

Psalm 37:25

*I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.*

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

*Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup>Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup>And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup>As it is written: "He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." <sup>10</sup>Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. <sup>11</sup>You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.*

- Believers set the \_\_\_\_\_ of blessing in their lives.
- If we could see giving as God sees giving, we would \_\_\_\_\_ to give.
- God's promise to generous givers is: all \_\_\_\_\_, all \_\_\_\_\_, all you \_\_\_\_\_.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

- We don't \_\_\_\_\_ to the kingdom because we first have \_\_\_\_\_ ours.

Proverbs 22:7

*The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.*

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- Debt is not \_\_\_\_\_; it is a form of \_\_\_\_\_.
- God doesn't mind you having debt; he just doesn't want it to \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- Debt always costs \_\_\_\_\_ than the \_\_\_\_\_ payment.

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