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BIBLICAL FREEDOM FROM THE MONEY TRAP



NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN CENTER | MAY 1-2, 2021

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2 Corinthians 9:6-15

1. I can give without _____.

Remember this - a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. And I will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. For I am the one who gives seed to the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, I will give you many opportunities to do good, and I will produce a great harvest of generosity in you. Yes, you will be enriched so that you can give even more generously. 2 Corinthians 9:6, 8, 10, 11 (NLT)

2. I can _____ in my giving.

You must each make up your own mind as to how much you should give. Don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. For God loves the person who gives cheerfully. 2 Corinthians 9:7 (NLT)

- **Make giving a _____.**

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the LORD Almighty, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Let me prove it to you!" Malachi 3:10 (NLT)

- **Intentionally decide on a _____.**
- **Take the _____ in giving.**

3. I can receive God's overflowing _____.

"If you give, you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use in giving - large or small - it will be used to measure what is given back to you." Luke 6:38 (NLT)

Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life. 1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NLT)



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2. I can GROW in my giving.

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- Make giving a PRIORITY.

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- Intentionally decide on a PLAN.

- Take the NEXT STEP in giving.

3. I can receive God's overflowing ABUNDANCE.

"If you give, you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use in giving - large or small - it will be used to measure what is given back to you." Luke 6:38 (NLT)

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DISCUSSION
QUESTIONS

WEEK 3:
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[CONNECT]

Can you think of something in your life where you know the best response is NOT your gut response?

[ENGAGE]

What stood out and impacted you from the message this weekend?

[GROW]

What about this topic of our resources being connected to our heart and faith has been the most challenging for you? What has been the most surprising thing you've learned or heard? What has encouraged you most?

Read 2 Corinthians 9:6, 8, 10&11. The Apostle Paul lays out the "law of the harvest" in other words, when you plant a seed you will reap a harvest in time. When you apply this to our resources and finances, what does that mean for you personally?

When you realize that God is the Lord of the Harvest and that He brings provision and blessing... how does that affect the fear that we have around giving?

In the message, Pastor talked about these three parts to our giving. What do each of these mean to you and your situation and how could you take a step in each of these?

- Make giving a priority
- Intentionally decide on a plan
- Take the next step in giving

Read Luke 6:38. How does this challenge you personally in how you manage what God has given you? What does it tell you about the overwhelming generosity of our Heavenly Father?

[LEAD (YOURSELF)]

This is going to be the same as last week. Take some time to pray and really seek God's heart around this area of possessions, finances, and resources. Identify and write down one small step to honor Him with what you've been given.