

ARE YOU RICH TOWARD GOD?

Learn to give yourself a sacrifice to God: your time, energy, money, life
Two things required when we give to God

1. Faithfulness
2. Wisdom

GOD SEES AND REWARDS OUR GIVINGS

Matthew 6:4 (KJV)

⁴ That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.

TWO TYPES RICHES

Proverbs 8:18 (KJV)

*¹⁸ Riches and honour are with me; yea, **durable riches and righteousness.***

There are riches that last and others that don't last

Proverbs 11:24-25 (The Message Bible)

*²⁴ The world of the generous gets larger and larger;
the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller.*

*²⁵ The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed;
those who help others are helped.*

The words of Jesus confirm the principle of blessing

Acts 20:35 (KJV)

*³⁵ I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, **It is more blessed to give than to receive.***

Proverbs 10:22 (KJV)

²² The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

Blessing comes out of givings and riches come out of blessing

HOW MUCH BLESSING WE GET OUT OF OUR GIVINGS?

Luke 6:38 (KJV)

*³⁸ Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. **For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.***

This is God's law

GOD RECOMPENSED US ACCORDING TO OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

Psalms 18:24-26 (KJV)

²⁴ Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.

²⁵ With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright;

²⁶ With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself froward.

LET US CHECK WHAT WE HAVE AND HOW MUCH WE GIVE

Haggai 1:3-7 (KJV)

³ Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

⁴ Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house lie waste?

⁵ Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

⁶ Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.

⁷ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

FAITHFULNESS IN MONEY IS IMPORTANT

Luke 16:11-12 (KJV)

¹¹ *If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?*

¹² *And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?*

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Luke 12:16-21 (KJV)

¹⁶ *And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:*

¹⁷ *And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow **my fruits**?*

¹⁸ *And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all **my fruits and my goods**.*

¹⁹ *And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.*

²⁰ *But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?*

²¹ *So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.*