

Part 1: Treasure Principles

Living and Giving According to Scripture

*Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name:
bring an **offering**, and come before him:
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
(1 Chronicles 16:29)*

Our handling of money reflects our inward spiritual nature!

Matt. 6:19-21 *Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

Matt. 6:24 *No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.*

- Your earthly treasure will be **worthless** at the end of your life.
- You can't take it with you, but you can **send** it on ahead.
- **Storing** up treasures in heaven is not just right, it's **smart**.
- **Hoarding** treasures on earth is not only wrong, it's plain **foolish**.
- Your **heart** always follows your treasure.

*“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.” The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.
(Luke 16:10-14)*

God’s goal in my finances is that I be found faithful.

Faithful	Unfaithful
See money as a “very little thing”	See money as a “very big thing”
Give based on what cannot be seen	Cannot give because of what can be seen
Believe God owns what they possess	Believe they own what God has only given them the right to manage
Serve God with their money	Serve money as their god
Give as an act of loving worship to God	Cannot give because they love their money
Realize no possession can quench their thirst	Spend a lifetime looking for things to quench their thirst