

# THE GENEROUS LIFE



## PART 5: The Promise of Generosity | Sunday, June 12, 2016

- ❖ Will we love and trust \_\_\_\_\_ or will we love and trust \_\_\_\_\_?

Matthew 6:24 No one can serve two masters. 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 both God and money.

Ecclesiastes 5:10 Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income.

- ❖ Will we live by the world's standard or a \_\_\_\_\_ one?

- World: "Live to \_\_\_\_\_."
- Bible: "Live to \_\_\_\_\_."

### The size of our generosity . . .

2 Corinthians 9:6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

1. Our level of generosity determines our \_\_\_\_\_.

Luke 6:37-38 Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. 38 Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together

and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Luke 16:10-11 Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. 11 So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?

### The attitude of our generosity . . .

2 Corinthians 9:7 Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2. Our generosity is to be \_\_\_\_\_ and joyful, not \_\_\_\_\_.

### How much to give?

- a. Check your \_\_\_\_\_: What is my spirit telling me to do?
- b. Check your \_\_\_\_\_: What can I give and be happy that I did?

### The purpose of our generosity . . .

2 Corinthians 9:8 And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

3. Our generosity \_\_\_\_\_ so we can be even more generous!

Proverbs 3:9-10 NLT Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce. 10 Then he will fill your barns with grain, and your vats will overflow with good wine.

*\*All scriptures are from the NIV translation unless otherwise noted.*