

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Series: Prophecy for a New Day Malachi 3:7-12

Part 7 — Give to God First Pastor Stephen Han

- I) How should Christians view the concept of stewardship?
- 2) What are some dangers of assuming that we own our possessions? What are some benefits in recognizing that we are stewards rather than owners? What are few ways to change your mindset from ownership to stewardship?
- 3) Why do you think Jesus put such an emphasis on money and possessions in His teaching? (e.g. 16 out of 32 parables that Jesus taught have to do with this subject.)
- 4) Read Malachi 3:7-12.
 - a) How is it possible to rob God of what is rightfully his?
 - b) Why do you think tithing can jump-start your relationship with God?
 - c) Have you "tested" God with tithing and generous giving? If so, what have you learned? If not, what's keeping you from giving God a chance to show what he can do in this area?
- 5) What does it mean that tithing can be the "training wheels" of giving?
- 6) Read 2 Corinthians 9:7-8. What does it say about how we are supposed to give? Why is this important?
- 7) Pastor Stephen shared the central truth of this passage is: "When you honor God with your firstfruits (tithe), He will bless you with His provision, His protection, and His presence." How did this message help you consider the way you use or view money? Or, the way you view God? Any practical step God is prompting you to take?