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#### INTRODUCTION

As a time traveler, you have the ability to go back in time with your current knowledge. If you could go back in Time to invest in corporations like Apple, Google, wouldn't you invest in that stock. Investing your gifts and time to the business of God's Kingdom NOW is doing just that. Investing in the Kingdom of God is the Best Investment you can make.

◊ Jesus came to build a Kingdom not a religion. (Mark 1:15)

- ♦ So the business we are investing in is building the Kingdom of God.
- ♦ This Kingdom is built through the Church.
- ♦ Church is Mobile not santionary.
- ♦ The Church operated like a virus. (OUTBREAKS). (Matthew)

♦ The agents of the Church are all called *"Servants of the Most High God"*. The servant is the *Carrier of the Virus* called the goodness of the Kingdom of God.

### FAMILY BUSINESS - ROMANS 8:17

We are Joint-Heirs with Christ, we have access to equal benefits of the Kingdom with Jesus. The initial investment for the Kingdom of God was the life, suffering, death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As servants, we should live honorable lives that reflect the sacrifice of our Savior.

## WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, WHY AND HOW TO SERVE..

**WHO** do we serve: The Lord and the World.

**WHAT** do we serve: We serve love and the Goodness of the Kingdom.

WHERE do we serve: We serve wherever we are...

WHEN do we serve: We serve 24/7...

WHY do we serve: We serve because He first loved us and we believe in the product.

**HOW** do we serve: In the Beatitudes we see a portrait of a True Servant of God.

- ♦ 8 Character Traits of a Servant
- ◊ these traits open the door for inner happiness
- ◊ there is a corresponding promise to each trait

1. **POOR** in spirit: true humility, a person completely reliant on God.

2. Those who **MOURN**: Compasionate, those who care intensely for the hurts, sorrows and loses of others..

3. The **GENTLE**: strength under control, being calm and peaceful in heated situations.

4. HUNGER AND THIRST for righteousness: is engaged in a Pursuit of God and His ways...

5. The **MERCIFUL**: helping the hurting.

6. The **PURE IN HEART**: doing the right thing for the right reason.

7. The **PEACEMAKERS**: 1st at peace with oneself, 2nd brings peace wherever and in whatever situation they are in.

8. The **PERSECUTED**: if you serve, you will suffer persecution in some form.

# **REWARDS AND RETURN OF YOUR INVESTMENT - LUKE 6:38**

The Reward and Return of our Investment will comeback to the Servant "Good measure, press down, shaking together and running over."

## FACTORPOINTS

*He's Here - Worship:* Take time to be thankful unto the Lord for including us into His family as Servant Leaders who are adopted into the Royal Family of God.

He Knows - Learn: Take time to study the Beatitudes and examine each trait.

He's Able - Serve: Sign up to serve at least once a month.