



January 22nd 2023 - The Habit of Intentional Giving

HABITS are actions that are _____, and that have become natural because of continued _____. **HABITS** are the things we do without _____ but accomplish with _____ and _____.

Luke 12:34, For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The median annual household income worldwide is \$9,733, and the median per-capita household income is \$2,920, according to new Gallup metrics.

Luke 12:48, Jesus says, "From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked"

I am rich so I can be intentionally _____.

1. Intentionally generous Christians will be _____ givers.

2nd Corinthians 9:11, You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion. And through us, it will result in thanksgiving to God.

1st Timothy 6:18, "Command those who are rich. To do good and to be rich in good deeds. And willing to share."

Biblical Giving Attitude: I have _____ so I can't wait to give _____.

2. Intentionally generous Christians are cheerful givers.

Biblical Giving Truth: Giving and generosity _____ stress and _____ joy!

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

Acts 20:35, "It is better to give than to receive."

3. Intentionally generous Christians will be _____ givers.

Proverbs 3:9-10, Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Malachi 3:8-9, "Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you."

Malachi 3:10-11, "Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts. Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts."

Biblical Giving Promise: You can't _____ God!

Mathew 23:23, "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.

Deuteronomy 14:23, "The purpose of tithing is to teach you to always put God first in your lives."

Life Application:

Make a giving plan for 2023. Decide what you will give back to God in 2023 and start living into that plan.

I will _____.