

Next Steps: You Taking Yours, So We Can Take Ours

Giving: Time, Talent & Treasure

1. Which do you find most difficult for you to give consistently – time, talent or treasure? What are the barriers or hurdles that you most often encounter with it?

Read: Matthew 25:14-30

- 2. How might you relate this parable to our current culture to make it more applicable or relatable for someone? How would you communicate the urgency of this parable to someone who is a new Christian (just beginning discipleship)?
- **3.** What are some ways that we can avoid sins of omission (missing or avoiding Gospel opportunities by not using the time, talent & treasure that God has given us)?

Read: 1 Peter 4:7-11; Ephesians 5:15-17

- 4. Discuss the steps on the serving ladder which step seems most difficult? Why?
- **5.** In terms of the 1 Peter 4:7-11, what are some qualities of a Godly servant? For you, what might it look like to be a "lifestyle server"?

Read: Malachi 3:7-10; Matthew 6:21; 1 Corinthians 16:2; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

- **6.** In your own words, how would you explain to someone that Jesus fulfilled the law in the areas of tithing, giving and generosity?
- 7. Discuss the steps on the giving ladder which step seems most difficult? Why?

Practical Application

8. What next step in <u>serving</u> are you willing to commit to for the remainder of 2025 and beyond? What next step in <u>giving</u> are you willing to commit to for the remainder of 2025 and beyond? As you prayerfully consider these steps personally, and/or within your family, how might your group help you?

Next Week: Isaiah 6:1-13





