

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: It's easy to tell what you're invested in. Just follow the trail of your calendar, your check-list, and your checking account. Stewarding your time, talent and treasure for the Kingdom of God is where life is meant to be lived. It's time to say, "I'm In."

Genesis 12:2 (ESV)

**Time, Talent, Treasure
Ownership or Stewardship?
The Verb of the Bible: Give**

Give cuts across the root of our sin problem: selfishness

Nine Ways to be Invested in God's Kingdom:

- 1) Practice Sabbath Rest
- 2) Pray for others
- 3) Join a SERVE Team
- 4) Join or Lead a Small Group
- 5) Join or Lead an Outreach
- 6) Join or Lead a Community Organization
- 7) Be generous with your resources
- 8) Stay (or get) out of Debt
- 9) Tithe and Give Offerings

Matthew 6:19-21 (ESV)

Luke 10:30-37 (ESV)

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) Read Genesis 12:2. What do you think it means that we are *blessed to be a blessing*? Is that something that you think about often, and does it impact your life? Explain.
- 3) When it comes to your time, talent, and treasure, do you see yourself more as an *owner* or a *steward*? Explain.
- 4) Which of the Nine Ways to be Invested in God's Kingdom are you actively participating in? Which are a struggle for you? What step can you take next to grow?
- 5) Read Matthew 6:19-21. In what ways are you storing up treasures on earth? How about treasures in Heaven?
- 6) Read Luke 10:30-37. Pray that Manna Church would be full of Good Samaritans who invest in God's Kingdom every day!