



Secrets to Success: Entrusted Wealth

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that we will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

This week's teaching centered on how to have God's wealth flow through our lives.

- **God owns everything.**

It can be easy to start thinking that we own our possessions. Instead, we need to understand that everything we "have" has been entrusted to us by God. How will this knowledge affect the way you view and use the "wealth" that God has entrusted you with?

Psalm 50:9-12; Matthew 6:28-33

- **Righteousness means to be in right standing with God.**

Often, people equate righteousness with perfection; but human beings cannot achieve righteousness through their own efforts. People receive righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and an outward demonstration of our faith is obedience to God. How are you showing obedience to God with the "wealth" He has entrusted with you?

Matthew 25:29

- **First, you have to gain. Second, you have to give.**

How will the mindset that when we gain, we can give more alter your attitude toward working for and acquiring "wealth."

Matthew 25:14-30

- **Sometimes trade secrets are to be kept to ourselves.**

There are moments in life, just like the woman with the oil, when God proves that He is our ultimate provider. These moments create tremendous opportunities of witness and encouragement for us and those around us. However, we must be mindful of when and how we tell others about God's provisions in our lives. How can you tell others about God's work in your life, especially financially, without creating a negative outcome?

2 Kings 4:1-7

- **God wants us to balance out the principles of giving and gaining.**

Tithing and giving are two different things. Tithing is *returning* to God a portion (10%) of what He has entrusted us with. *Giving* is above and beyond our tithe. What is the Holy Spirit prompting you to do in the area of giving?

Malachi 3:6-10

What's Next

- Write a list of all that God has entrusted you with. Thank Him daily and pray for guidance to use this "wealth" for His Kingdom.
- Put "feet to your faith" and demonstrate your trust and faith in God through the way you handle your finances.