## The Wall

Week 1: The Financial Wall Study Guide: September 10 & 11, 2016 Guest Speaker: Joe Sangl

## Main Point:

Everything belongs to God. Giving to Jesus all that we have moves us from Greed to Generosity.

- 1. Do you remember a gift that you were given that you still recall to this day?
- 2. Read John 6:5-13. When we give, we honor God. How did the boy honor Jesus?
- 3. Read Matthew 6:19-21. Why would God ask us to "bring" or "return" the tithe?
- 4. God knows our hearts are connected to our treasure. Describe what the word "treasure" means to you.
- 5. How do you treat your "treasure"? Do you tightly hold on? Do you watch it? Do you trust it to someone else?
- 6. Read Acts 4:34-35. When we give, we bless others. Go back to question #1. Why was that gift so special? Describe how you felt.
- 7. Look back at the boy and the lunch story. Do you think the boy was blessed to see Jesus turn his lunch into a huge buffet? When we give, WE are blessed.
- 8. Read Malachi 3:10-12. God's word is clear. God says, "Test me." This is the only time He gives us permission to test Him. Do you think that little boy with the lunch ever doubted God's ability to bless?
- 9. Why do you think it is so hard to trust God with our money?

Further Reading

- Proverbs 3:5,6
- 1 Timothy 6:6-10
- 1 John 4:4
- Psalm 20:7