

Money Matters – 4
“The Disciplines of Giving”

Matthew 6:24 (KJV)

NOTE: I am either serving and worshiping God with my finances or mammon (Syrian god of wealth & riches)

[THE DISCIPLINES OF GIVING]

Why we give? (Deals with motives of our hearts)

How we give? (Deals with attitude of our hearts)

When and where we give? (Involves wisdom & understanding)

DISCIPLINE #1 – Why we give? (Motives of our hearts)

Matthew 6:1-4 (KJ)

IMPURE MOTIVES:

1. To be seen of men
2. To receive glory and praise of men

WHY WE GIVE:

1. To be seen of our Father and rewarded by Him.
Hebrews 11:6 (ref)
Giving breaks the power of mammon.

2. Gods nature is to give (so is our new nature)
John 3:16 (ref)
Romans 8:32 (ref)
Romans 5:5 (ref)

3. The Law of Increase
Genesis 8:22 (ref)
Galatians 6:6-7 (ref)

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 (KJV)
Proverbs 11:24-25 (KJV)
Ecclesiastes 11:1-3 (KJV)
Ecclesiastes 11:4-6 (NLT)

4. So fruit abounds to our own account
Philippians 4:17 (ref)

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (KJV)

Vs. 8 - “All grace may abound towards you.”
- Having all sufficiency in all things.
- You abound toward every good work.

Vs. 10 - Our righteousness remains forever
- We increase in the fruits of our own righteousness
Luke 16 (ref)
Matthew 6 (ref)
1 Timothy 6:17-19 (ref)
Acts 20:35 (ref)

DISCIPLINE #2 – How we give? (Attitude of our heart)

Mark 12:41-44 (KJV)

2 Corinthians 9:6-9 (NLT)

1. Bountifully (generously)
2. Not reluctantly or in response to pressure
3. Cheerfully
4. Eagerly, within our means
2 Corinthians 8:12 (KJV)

DISCIPLINE #3 and #4 – When and where to give? (Wisdom and understanding of our heart)

Tithing / Offerings / Alms
“Where you’re led and fed!”

TAKE AWAY

1. Giving breaks the power of mammon.
2. Your heart is developed every time you give properly.
3. All finances have a spirit on them - i.e. God’s or mammon.