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Winning Together

**Be Generous**

## Proverbs 11:24-25 New King James Version

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There is one who scatters, yet increases more;  
And there is one who withholds more than is right,  
But it leads to poverty.

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**The generous soul will be made rich,**  
And he who waters will also be watered himself.

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## John 3:16 New King James Version

16 For God so loved the world **that He gave His only begotten Son**, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

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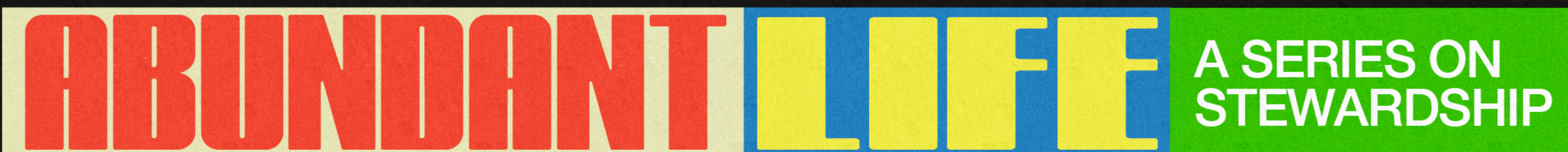
# **The principal of Blessing**

# **Jewish principal part 1**

## Luke 6:38 New King James Version

**38 Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom.**

**For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.”**





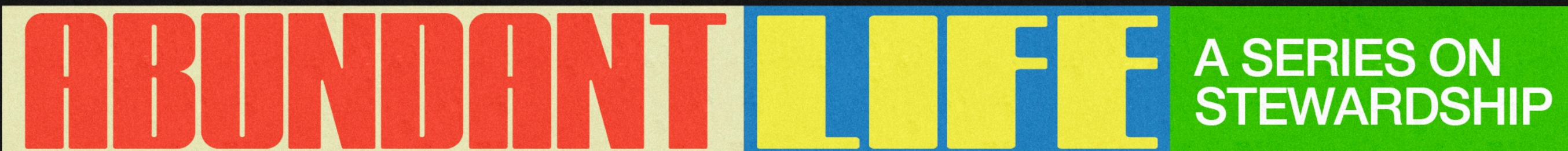
# **Jewish principal part 2**

## Galatians 6:6-10 New King James Version

### Be Generous and Do Good

6 Let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches.

7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; **for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.**



## Galatians 6:6-10 New King James Version

### Be Generous and Do Good

8 For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. 9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, **especially to those who are of the household of faith.**

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**Be selective & purposeful**

**“The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation”**

**“As if you could kill time without injuring eternity”**

**Henry David Thoreau (Walden, 1971, p. 8)**

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In any weather, at any hour of the day or night, I have been anxious to improve the nick of time, and notch it on my stick too; **to stand on the meeting of two eternities, the past and the future, which is precisely the present moment; to toe that line.**

Henry David Thoreau (Walden, 1971, p. 17)



## Ephesians 5:16-18 New King James Version

**16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil.**

**17 Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the**

**Lord is. 18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,**

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## Luke 12:35-48 New King James Version

### The Faithful Servant and the Evil Servant

35 “Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; 36 and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. 37 **Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching.** Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them.

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## Luke 12:35-48 New King James Version

**38 And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. 39 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 40 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”**



## Luke 12:35-48 New King James Version

41 Then Peter said to Him, **“Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?”**

42 And the Lord said, **“Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? 43 Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. 44 Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has.**



## Luke 12:35-48 New King James Version

45 But if that servant says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,' and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, 46 the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. 47 And that servant who knew his master's will, and did not prepare himself or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes.

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48 But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few. **For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required;** and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

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## 1 Timothy 6:17-19 English Standard Version

17 As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, **to be generous and ready to share,** 19 thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

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