

Weekend Message Questions
The Power of Stewardship
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CHECK-IN: Check with the members of your group to see how they are doing.

ICEBREAKER DISCUSSION:

- Have you already decorated for Christmas? In your opinion, when is the right time to decorate for Christmas? What are your plans for the holidays?

READ: Proverbs 3:9-10, Matthew 6:19-24, Matthew 6:33-34

- What stands out to you in these passages?
- In your own words, what does it mean to be a good steward?
- *“Giving is not about the amount, but it is about obedience, generosity, and an aligned heart.”* Do you agree with this statement? Why or why not?

3 categories of scriptural giving and their principles:

1. Tithes - Provision for the local church.
2. Offerings - Provision for special Kingdom needs
3. Alms - Provision for the poor

READ: Malachi 3:10

- What stands out to you in this passage?
- Do you believe it's important to give to the local church? Why or why not?
- If everyone gave to the local church like I do, how well would the local church be able to achieve its mission?

READ: 2 Corinthians 9:1-2, 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

- What stands out to you in these passages?
- If Christ followers contributed financial offerings to mission and building projects and specialized ministries and evangelism, how would the world be impacted?

READ: Matthew 6:1-4

- What stands out to you in these passages?
- If everyone who loves Jesus made an effort to love others through meeting physical needs, how would our community be impacted?

DISCUSS:

- How have you personally been impacted by the giving of others?
- How have you been impacted by your own personal giving?
- How can we adjust our living to our giving rather than put our giving before our living?

How can you be praying for everyone in your group this week?

Pray to close.

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