



COMMITMENT SUNDAY

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Jesus said, "Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it."

MATTHEW 10:39 | NIV

"Since you excel in so many ways—in your faith, your gifted speakers, your knowledge, your enthusiasm, and your love from us—I want you to excel also in this gracious act of giving."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:7 | NLT

1 Giving allows me to express **APPRECIATION** for past blessings

"You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7-8 | NLT

"Freely have you received, now freely give."

MATTHEW 10:8 | NIV

"I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love..."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:8 | NIV

2 Giving allows me to examine my **MOTIVATION in the present**

"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."

MATTHEW 6:33 | NLT

"They even did more than we had hoped, for their first action was to give themselves to the Lord and to us, just as God wanted them to do."

2 CORINTHIANS 8:5 | NLT

"And if you are not faithful with money, God will not entrust to you true riches."

LUKE 16:11 | LB

3 Giving allows my **FAITH** to grow in the future

"But remember this—if you give little, you will get little. A farmer who plants just a few seeds will get only a small crop, but if he plants much, he will reap much."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6 | LB

"When you give to the poor it's like lending to the Lord and He repays wonderful interest on your loan."

PROVERBS 19:17 | LB

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have enough room for it."

MALACHI 3:10 | NIV

"Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over ... it will be poured into your lap for with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

LUKE 6:38 | NIV

"No one should appear before the Lord empty-handed: Each of you should bring a gift in proportion to the way God has blessed you."

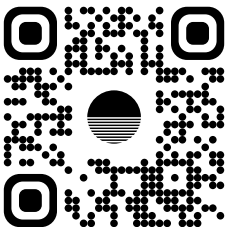
DEUTERONOMY 16:17 | NIV

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SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1 Share one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon and why?
- 2 Why is gratitude an important quality in a Christian's life? How can giving of yourself both through your talents or money be a way that shows you are thankful for all God has given you? What areas do you struggle to be thankful for?
- 3 Have you ever had a goal that you put your mind to and achieved? What did you do to motivate yourself towards that goal?
- 4 What area of your life is God stretching your faith right now. Go around the group and share?
- 5 How can we be praying for you this week?



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11.21 | Child Dedication

12.03 - 12.05 | Christmas Nights

12.05 | Classic Praise