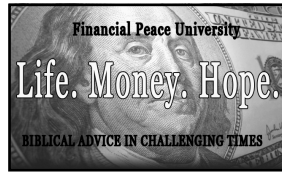


Giving as Way of Life

¹ The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; ² for he founded it upon the seas and established it... - Psalms 24:1-2



1. I DON'T OWN it, God does. I'm an ASSET

MANAGER. -Psalms 24:1-2 -Matt.25:14-30 Ill.Body Scan

"The steward manages assets for the owner's benefit. The steward carries no sense of entitlement to the assets he manages. It's his job to find out what the owner wants done with his assets. Then carry out his will." - The Treasure Principle by Randy Alcorn

2. God is GENEROUS. -John 3:16

3. I was DESIGNED to be generous. -Genesis 1:26

4. Giving Helps Me:

a. To THANK the Giver! -Psalms 24:1-2

b. To live AT PEACE with what I have. (*Priority change - Giving vs. Accumulating*) -Hebrews 13:5

c. To CELEBRATE what God is doing in the world as an active participant! -2Corinthians 9:7

"For God so loved the world that **he gave** his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
-John 3:16

"Life. Money. Hope." #3 Noah Largent 6/6/10

Review:

Part 1: "Basis of Biblical Finances" - Pastor John Aldax 5/23/10

1. Get out of debt. -Proverbs 22:7
2. Act you wage. -1 Tim. 6:6
3. Get on a budget. -Luke 14:28 / Proverbs 21:5
4. Learn to invest. -Proverbs 21:20
5. Give generously. Malachi 3:8

Part 2: "What Not to Do With Your Money" -Pastor Dan Wilvers 5/30/10

1. Money is a tool and test.
 - a. It's a **TOOL** to be used for God's purposes in your life.
 - b. Money **TEST** our character, values, priorities, and responsibilities.
1. Don't love money. -Ecclesiastes 5:10
2. Don't live for money. -Luke 16:13
3. Don't trust money. -1Timothy 6:17
4. Don't hoard money. -Matthew 6:19-20

Notes:
