

# Christian Stewardship

*How to manage our resources according to God's plan*

## *Session 11*

Review: \_\_\_\_\_ that we have belongs to God.

- *The heavens, indeed the highest heavens, belong to the LORD your God, as does the earth and \_\_\_\_\_ in it. (Deuteronomy 10:14)*

God is the \_\_\_\_\_ Provider; we are His \_\_\_\_\_.

- *Deuteronomy 8:7-18; 1 Chronicles 29:11-12; Luke 14:25-33*
- *Matthew 24:42 – 25:46*

The good and faithful servant avoids the \_\_\_\_\_ of debt and lives by a \_\_\_\_\_ to build a prosperous household.

- *Deuteronomy 15:6; 28:12, 43-45; Proverbs 22:5; 24:3-4; Romans 13:8; 1 Corinthians 7:23*

The good and faithful servant gives \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

- *Proverbs 11:24-25; Matthew 6:20-21; 25:31-46; Acts 20:35; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-7, 10-11*

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Practically speaking, how should we give?

*Now about the collection for the saints: you should do the same as I instructed the Galatian churches. On the first day of the week, each of you is to set something aside and save to the extent that he prospers, so that no collections will need to be made when I come. (1 Corinthians 16:1-2)*

- \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, without \_\_\_\_\_ regarding the amount, from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the church, without \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

It is recommended that part of your monthly budget be \_\_\_\_\_ to giving to others. But, how much?

- The \_\_\_\_\_ example

*Remember this: the person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously. Each person should do as he has decided in his heart—not out of regret or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:6-7)*

- The \_\_\_\_\_ of the tithe, a tenth of one's income given to God in worship under the Law of Moses.

*Each year you are to set aside a tenth of all the produce grown in your fields. You are to eat a tenth of your grain, new wine, and oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, in the presence of the LORD your God at the place where He chooses to have His name dwell, so that you will always learn to fear the LORD your God. But if the distance is too great for you to carry it, since the place where the LORD your God chooses to put His name is too far away from you and since the LORD your God has blessed you, then exchange it for money, take the money in your hand, and go to the place the LORD your God chooses. You may spend the money on anything you want: cattle, sheep, wine, beer, or anything you desire. You are to feast there in the presence of the LORD your God and rejoice with your family. Do not forget the Levite within your gates, since he has no portion or inheritance among you. At the end of every three years, bring a tenth of all your produce for that year and store it within your gates. Then the Levite, who has no portion or inheritance among you, the foreign resident, fatherless, and widow within your gates may come, eat, and be satisfied. And the LORD your God will bless you in all the work of your hands that you do. (Deuteronomy 14:22-29)*

- The gospel declares that we are not under the Law of Moses. Instead, under the Spirit, we give generously and cheerfully.

*But now we have been released from the law, since we have \_\_\_\_\_ to what held us, so that we may serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old letter of the law. (Romans 7:6)*

To whom do we give generously?

- To \_\_\_\_\_

*The one who is taught the message must share his goods with the \_\_\_\_\_.* (Galatians 6:6)

*The elders who are good leaders should be considered worthy of an ample honorarium, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching.* (1 Timothy 5:17)

- To \_\_\_\_\_

*And you, Philippians, know that in the early days of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving except you alone. For even in Thessalonica you sent gifts for my need several times. Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that is increasing to your account. But I have received everything in full, and I have an abundance. I am fully supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you provided—a fragrant offering, a welcome sacrifice, pleasing to God.* (Philippians 4:15-18)

*They set out for the sake of the name, accepting nothing from pagans. Therefore, we ought to support such men, so that we can be \_\_\_\_\_ with the truth.* (3 John 7-8)

- To \_\_\_\_\_

*But if any widow has children or grandchildren, they should learn to practice their religion toward their own family first and to repay their parents, for this pleases God... Command this, so that they won't be blamed. Now if anyone does not provide for his own relatives, and especially for his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an \_\_\_\_\_.* (1 Timothy 5:4, 7-8)

- To the \_\_\_\_\_

*He took up the case of the poor and needy, then it went well. Is this not what it means to know Me? This is the LORD's declaration.* (Jeremiah 22:16)

*And the King will answer them, "I assure you: whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for Me."* (Matthew 25:40)

*In every way I've shown you that by laboring like this, it is necessary to help the weak and to keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus, for He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35)*

*For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ: although He was rich, for your sake He became \_\_\_\_\_, so that by His poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)*

*They asked only that we would remember the poor, which I made every effort to do. (Galatians 2:10)*

*If anyone has this world's goods and sees his brother in need but shuts off his compassion from him—how can God's love reside in him? Little children, we must not love in word or speech, but in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (1 John 3:17-18)*