



# SERMON NOTES

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## **IT MATTERS (5): FINANCE - STEWARDSHIP TO GOD** (Luke 12:13-21)

### **Finances Matter**

- Finances matter because it determines how effective we will be in a world that is dependent on money as a measurement for effectiveness.
- But financial stewardship is not limited to taking care of our personal business and being financially set for life. It also extends to generosity.
  - o How we handle money has both natural and spiritual implications (Matt.25:40).
- God wants us to be free from financial pressures and impact his kingdom in the way we steward our finances (Luke 12:21).

### **Generosity**

- Being rich towards God
  - o Rich in your bank account is different from rich in God's account.
  - o Generosity is one of the things that drives forward our credit with God (Deut. 8:18).
  - o Generosity gives conscience to our pursuit of pleasure.
- God provides seed for us and he wants us to use a portion of that seed to be generous to:
  1. His work and kingdom (Deut. 8:18)
  2. The poor (2 Cor. 9:9; 1Tim. 6:17-19).

### **Three things to note about Generosity:**

1. Generosity is your decision but it must be according to the proportion of what you have (2 Cor. 9:7 & 2 Cor. 8:12)
2. Must be willingly given without grudge or pressure (2 Cor. 9:5-7)
3. We should excel in giving (2 Cor. 8:7)



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