

SERMON NOTES

January 27 & 28, 2024

Commit: Financial Freedom

Luke 6:38

1. The freedom to buy, borrow, acquire, and hoard ends up being a _____.

2. Commitment that leads to freedom: _____ and it will be _____. **Luke 6:38**

3. Important question: What _____ will I use? **Luke 6:38c**

4. Stages of Generosity

1) Give _____.

Thought: "_____."

Ecclesiastes: 5:10 a

2) Give occasionally

Thought: "_____."

3) Tithe

I Corinthians 16:1-2

Thought: "My giving needs to _____ to my income."

Malachi 3:10

4) Give _____

Luke 21:1-4

Thought: "How can I _____?"

Life Steps

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Monday

Genesis 14:18-24

Reflect: These 6 verses are full of important life principles. What does this passage teach us about commitment, leadership, and tithing?

Pray: Trustworthy God, help me to trust you like Abram.

Tuesday

Luke 6:37-38

Reflect: What does “for with the measure you use, it will be measured to you” mean? How would you describe the measure that you currently use with the following? Grace? Forgiveness? Time? Money and possessions?

Pray: Grant me a faith that trusts in your generosity so that I can be more adventurous in my giving.

Wednesday

Leviticus 27:30 | Luke 11:42

Reflect: What do these two passages teach us about the practice of Tithing? According to Christian Smith, a sociologist from Notre Dame, less than 9% of Christians tithe. Whether you tithe or not, what is preventing you from giving more to God or God’s work?

Pray: Forgive my tendency to live with a scarcity mindset.

Thursday

Proverbs 11:24 – 25

Reflect: Define generosity. Identify someone you know personally or in the news or history that you would describe as generous. How would you describe the quality of their life?

Pray: Thank you God for the generous people who grace my life circle.

Friday

Ecclesiastes 5:8-17

Reflect: Examine the 4 stages of generosity that were identified in the message. Identify where you are currently. 1) Give Nothing 2) Give Occasionally 3) Tithe 4) Give Sacrificially. What was your primary takeaway from the Financial Freedom message?

Pray: Generous God, teach me your ways and set me free from the bondage of debt and financial insecurity.

Saturday

Matthew 6:24

Reflect: How has this statement been true, in your life? “You cannot understand the value of money if money is your greatest value.” Honestly, who do you most serve, God or your money and stuff?

Pray: Forgive me for my tendency to worry and hold onto money as my security.

Sunday

Philippians 4:6

Reflect: Write out your requests to God.

Pray: Read out loud your requests to God then give thanks for his willingness to listen.