

FOUNDATIONS

PART 6: GIVING

Scriptures from New International Version unless noted

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Matthew 6:19-21

“No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

Matthew 6:24

Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness.

Ecclesiastes 5:10 NLT

Storing up treasures in heavens means:

1. Investing in your relationship with _____.

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.”

Mark 12:30

2. Investing in your relationships with _____.

“Love your neighbor as yourself.”

Mark 12:31

3. Investing in _____ here on earth.

The greatest cause in the universe

“...I will build my church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.”

Matthew 16:18 NKJV

New Testament Principles for Giving

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work... Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion...

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Now about the collection for God's people... On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income...

1 Corinthians 16:1-2

“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”

Matthew 6:33 NASB

“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse... Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.”

Malachi 3:10

So teach us to number our days, that we may present to You a heart of wisdom.

Psalms 90:12 NASB