

APPLICATION QUESTIONS
Applying this message to everyday life

- A. How can one discover the proper balance of joy and sacrifice in regular giving?

- B. How does this sermon challenge you to examine your current level of giving?

- C. Why is prayer an essential aspect of determining the amount (if any) of your faith promise?

- D. Invite everyone in the group to pray for the things you have discussed during your Life Group.

Life Beyond
#616 – Remember God
Deuteronomy 8:10-20

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Giving at GateWay

We teach that one's priority in giving is to finance the running of the church and it should be _____, _____, and _____. (1 Cor 16:2, 2 Cor 9:7, 2 Sam 24:24)

Faith Promise Giving

By prayer, you invite God to stretch your level of giving _____ and _____ as you look for His supernatural provision.

We can't bring our treasures into _____, but we can send them _____.

Remember God

When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you. Deuteronomy 8:10

Spiritually we were _____. Materially we were _____.

Be aware and guard our human tendency to _____ God once dependency upon Him is not a matter of immediate life or death.

We are blessed according to God's _____ not according to our _____. Blessings come whether we remember God or forget Him.

Moses warns that as _____ comes, self-sufficiency will _____ God, thus Moses provides his antidote as well – to praise Him and to remember Him.

Abundance and material blessings have the potential for great _____ and for great _____.

It is possible to be "_____ in this world" (James 2:5) and yet rich in Heaven. It is also possible to be "_____ in this world" (1 Tim 6:17) and poor in Heaven.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

A. How much wealth or poverty were you born into? How about for your parents?

B. Name the one thing that you own that you have owned longer than anything else. Why do you still own it?

C. Are you one who accumulates, or one who throws out? Why are you this way?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK – DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following three questions

Quick Review

1. Reflecting on this week's sermon, is there any principle or insight that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

2. In your own words, explain the concept of a "faith promise."

3. Read James 5:1-5. What is your gut-level reaction to this passage? How closely does it describe you?

4. Explain why Jesus talked so much about money. Sixteen of the thirty-eight parables are concerned with how to handle money and possessions. In the Gospels, an amazing one out of ten verses (288 in all) deal directly with the subject of money. The Bible offers 500 verses on prayer, less than 500 verses on faith, but more than 2,000 verses on money and possessions.