"We exist temporarily through what we take, but we live forever through what we give." Douglas M. Lawson

"The person who waits to do a great deal of good at once - will never do anything." Samuel Johnson

Build a genuine investment.

Matthew 6:19-20 Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. [20] But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

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Invest Your Treasure

Pacific Heart Attitudes - part 6 April 6 2025

■ Luke 6:38 Give and it will be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together, for with the measure you give it will be given to you.

The Heart Attitudes: P.A.C.I.F.I.C.

Build certain kinds of relationships (P.A.C.C), and Build certain kind of organization (F.I.I.)

God Uses Money to...

Build genuine character.

Luke 16:10-11 "Whoever can be trusted with <u>very little</u> can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. [11] So if you have not been trustworthy in handling <u>worldly wealth</u>, who will trust you with true riches?"

Luke 16:12 And if you have not been <u>trustworthy</u> with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

<u>Lesson</u>: How you are with something small is the way you'll be with something large.

Build genuine security. Freedom.

Luke 16:13 "No servant 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."

Proverbs 18:10-11 The name of the Lord is a <u>strong tower</u>; the righteous run to it, and are safe. The wealth of the rich is their fortified city; they <u>imagine</u> it an <u>unscalable wall</u>.

Proverbs 3:9 Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; [10] then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

"Stewardship is more than the management of things - it is the refusal to let things manage us." James A. Lollis

Build genuine trust.

Deut. 14:23 (Living) Bring this tithe to eat before the Lord your God at the place he shall choose as his sanctuary; this applies to your tithes of grain, new wine, olive oil, and the firstborn of your flocks and herds. The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.

Matt. 6:21 ... for where you treasure is there will your heart be also.

Deuteronomy 8:18 You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth; that He may confirm his covenant which He swore to your fathers, as at this day.

Jeremiah 17:5-6 Thus says the Lord, "Cursed is the man who trusts in mankind and makes flesh his strength, and whose heart turns away from the Lord. For he will be like a bush in the desert and will not see when prosperity comes, but will live in stony wastes in the wilderness, a land of salt without inhabitant."

Jeremiah 17:7 Blessed is the man who trusts <u>in</u> the Lord and whose trust <u>is</u> the Lord. For he will be like a tree planted by the water, that extends its roots by a stream and will not fear when the heat comes; but its leaves will be green, and it will not be anxious in a year of drought nor <u>cease</u> to yield fruit.

"The man of pseudo faith will fight for his verbal creed but refuse flatly to allow himself to get into a predicament where his future must depend upon that creed being true. He always provides himself with secondary ways to escape so He will have a way out if the roof caves in. What we need very badly these days is a company of Christians who are prepared to trust God as completely now as they must do at the last day." A. W. Tozer

Build a genuine legacy.

- 2 Cor. 8:2 Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. [3] For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, [4] they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. [5] And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will.
- 2 Cor. 9:12 This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. [13] Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.