

Date & Sermon Series:

September 9/10, 2017; Time, Talent, Treasure

Speaker: Mark Batterson

Scripture Focus: Matthew 6:19-21

Note to Leaders:

This weekend we talked about what it means to steward the treasure God has given us. These questions provide a framework to prompt or foster discussion. Don't feel you have to use all or any of these questions and you don't have to make it to the end! Use the questions that best fit your group and let discussion flow. You can also use these questions on your own to dive deeper into this week's sermon.

Sermon Series Questions:

- 1. What did God reveal to you?
- 2. What are you going to do about it?
- 3. What is one element of God's character you learned?

Specific Questions:

- 1. Pastor Mark talks about goals and strategies being key to playing the long game. What goals, visions, or strategies do you need to set up today that will help you play the long game?
- 2. Matthew 6:21 says, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Where is your heart today? What or who are you investing in with your treasure?
- 3.1 Chronicles 29:12,14 says "Wealth and honor come from you. But who am I and who are my people that we should be able to give as generously as this?" How do you view financial giving? Have you ever thought of it as giving back to God? After the sermon, has your view of giving changed?

- 4. What are some areas you can change in your life to walk in obedience to give back to God the first fruits? Is your end goal in your finances generosity?
- 5. What journey of generosity do you have?
- 6. Pastor Mark says, "If you don't use the blessings of God to bless others those blessings can become a curse." Where do you need to flip the blessing to bless others?

Diving Deeper:

Reread Matthew 6:19-21 and James 1:17

Survey your life this week. Spend some time asking yourself:

- When have I been blessed?
- Where have I been blessed?
- How have I been blessed?
- Who has blessed me?
- Who do I need to bless?