



# Increase Our Standard of Giving - Purposeful Giving (03)

## Interactive Outline

Sunday, 5 p.m.

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*Exodus 23:19; 13:2; Proverbs 3:9*

### 1) Be A God First Giver

#### A. Proper Attitude (Luke 12:29-34)

- Would be willing to: Sell what you possess for God; Give what you possess to the poor; Have faith that God would provide if you gave to Him liberally (v.29); Place your heart where it needs to be (v.34)

#### B. Proper Faith (Luke 12:22-28)

- 1) Our budgets may show us our faith!

#### C. Warnings About Giving Leftovers (Malachi 1:6-10)

- Warnings: Respect Him (v.6); The leftover offerings are unacceptable (v.7-8); God can be displeased with our offerings (v.10)

#### D. Closing Thoughts on Becoming a “God First Giver”:

- 1) Why be content with our current standard of giving?
- 2) A “God first giver” will consider what God has said about giving:
  - Old Law – 10%
  - New Law – Sell whatever you have (Mark 10:21); Widow gave “all that she had” (Mk. 12:44); “Seek first” (Matthew 6:33); “sows bountifully” (2 Corinthians 9:6)

Notes:

### 2) Purpose It In Your Heart

#### A. Give With A Purpose

- 1) 2 Corinthians 9:7 - "purpose"
- 2) 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 - "prosper"
- 3) Give a purposed percentage (16:2)

Notes:

### 3) Replace Fear With Faith

#### A. Arguments For Not Giving A Certain Purposed Percentage:

- 1) Finances can be unpredictable
- 2) Giving a percentage is fiscally dangerous
- 3) That is too much money for the elders/ preacher.

#### B. Matthew 6:25-34

#### What must I do to be saved?

Hear: Romans 10:17, Acts 2:37. Believe: Hebrews 11:6, Acts 18:8. Repent: Matthew 4:17, Acts 17:30-31.

Confess: Mat. 10:32-33, John 11:25-27. Be Baptized: Mat. 28:19, Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21.