## Living a Life of Gospel-Fueled Service and Generosity

Lesson 7: Stewards Not Owners

**Sunday Message Text:** 1 Chronicles 29:1-20.

Big Idea: Generosity flows from hearts that are devoted to God and know that God is the true owner and provider of everything. Giving is one of the ways we worship God!

| <b>Focus:</b> Generous people and a generous church reflect a generous Savior and contradict a world driven by greed, scarcity, and self-preservation.          |
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| 1) Read 1 Chronicles 29:12-14. How does this passage influence <i>your</i> thoughts about <i>your</i> money, <i>your</i> integrity and <i>your</i> possessions? |
| 2) In your desire to obey the Lord, do you find it hard to do what God wants, or find it harder to want to d what God wants? (V.19) Why?                        |
| Read Matthew 6:19-24.   |
| 3) What are some earthly treasures you feel tempted to store up (job, possessions, hobbies, finances, etc.)?  |

4) What does it mean to store up treasures in heaven? How can using our time, resources, and energy to serve God and others change temporary earthly treasures, into forever lasting heavenly ones?

| 5)  | V. 21 – How can "examining" your treasure reveal your heart's true devotion? How does your calendar, phone, or bank statement reveal where your treasure is? |
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| 6)  | How can being generous and focused on God develop your spiritual health and vision? (Vs.22-23)   |
| 7)  | How does serving God offer a different kind of security and satisfaction than what money promises?   |
| 8)  | Following this passage, (see Matthew 6:31-33), the Lord provides an answer and a promise. What would this look like practically for you in your daily life?  |
| 9)  | What's one area of your life where you can practice more radical generosity this week with your time, money, resources, or abilities?                        |
| 10) | In what way(s) did God speak to you today through His Spirit and His Word?   |