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Message Series: TRUSTING GOD: From Fear To Faith

Today's Message: Fear Turned To Freedom Pt2

Hebrews 11:37, 38

Hebrews 12:28-13:2

Hebrews 13:5, 14, 16

2 Corinthians 9:7

1. Our Guide To Giving

No Hint of Pressure: “Not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

NOTICE: Paul eliminates the idea of giving out of guilt: if I feel guilt—God is saying “That’s OK—just keep it, I’ll use somebody else’s.”

Two Truths:

- 1) God knows that someone who gives reluctantly is thinking as an owner, not as a steward.
- 2) Giving should be a deepening of relationship with God, bringing me closer to God as I join Him in distributing His wealth for His worldwide purposes.

Hebrews 6:10-12

2. God's Plan: His Blueprint To Keep Us On Track

- 1) **Priority Giving:** Putting God first helps me not to just give leftovers.

Matthew 6:33

Malachi 1:6-8

Malachi 1:13

- 2) **Percentage Giving**

Remember: the more you can do to keep fear from influencing your wallet—the less you risk drifting away from God in your finances.

Malachi 3:7-12

NOTE: It's important to start somewhere, anywhere, and once you encounter God at work, your motivation will skyrocket.

- 3) **Progressive Giving**

Reality: God intends for your faith to be growing, to be transformed little by little, to the likeness of Christ.

⇒ In order for your Faith to grow: It needs to be stretched from time to time.

⇒ So—this means that progressively increasing the percentage you entrust to God as the owner of your finances

- 4) **Prompted Giving**

1 John 3:17

WATCH THE GOD FACTOR HAPPEN

1 John 4:17

1 John 4:18

⇒ When you experience God's Fatherly love as He meets your needs, your fear will have met
its match: Perfect Love Casts Out Fear

Hebrews 13:17

Hebrews 13:20

Next Week: New Message Series: "Living Out God's Purpose"