

Jesus

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"The LORD had said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.'"

Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV)

"After Abram returned from defeating Kedorlaomer and the kings allied with him, the king of Sodom came out to meet him in the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was priest of God Most High, and he blessed Abram, saying, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth. And praise be to God Most High, who delivered your enemies into your hand.' Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything."

Genesis 14:17-20 (NIV)

Your TRUST, GRATITUDE and OBEDIENCE are how you and others experience the kingdom of God.

"We love because he first loved us. Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister."

1 John 4:19-21 (NIV)

Randy Alcorn, The Treasure Principle

1. **God owns everything and I'm His money manager.**
Psalm 24:1, Leviticus 25:23, Haggai 2:8, I Corinthians 6:19-20,
Deuteronomy 8:18, I Corinthians 4:2, Romans 14:10-12
2. **My heart follows the money.**
Ecclesiastes 5:12, Matthew 6:33
3. **Heaven, not earth, is my home.**
2 Corinthians 5:8, Philippians 3:20, Hebrews 11:13-16, Psalm 90:10,
Psalm 39:5
4. **I should not live for the dot but for the line.**
Hebrews 11:25-26, Matthew 25:21
5. **Giving is the only antidote to materialism.**
I Timothy 6:9-10 & 17-18, John 10:10

6. **God prospers me not to raise my standard of living but to raise my standard of giving.**

Malachi 3:10ff, Luke 6:38, II Corinthians 8:14, 9:7 & 10, Acts 20:35

"The Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace, and joy, in the power of the Holy Spirit..."

Romans 14:17 (NIV)

1. DETERMINE TO TRUST GOD.
2. DETERMINE TO SHOW GRATITUDE.
3. DETERMINE TO OBEY GOD.