

"CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: DOING WHO I AM WITH UNDERSTANDING"

Of Issachar, those who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do... 1 Chronicles 12:32

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TEXT: GENESIS 1:1 AND MATTHEW 6:33 I GIVE TO A GIVING GOD:

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INTRO	ODUCTION:
A.	The primary goal of this sermon series
B.	God has tied specific promises to giving
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	2. Luke 6:38 , ³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."
	3. Malachi 3:10 , ¹⁰ Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the Lord of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it.
C.	Giving: 1. Is not a matter of finances; it is a matter of faith.
	2. Is not a matter of budgets; it is a matter of beliefs
	V WHO GOD IS – THE CREATOR
A.	In the beginning 1. There is nothing before the beginning
	 There is nothing before the beginning God is the "I Am" = Independent existence
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D.	God created 1. Creatio ex nihilo = created out of nothing
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	2. God, the Son is the creator a. John 1:1-3
	b. Colossians 1:16
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C.	The heavens and the earth 1. God created everything
	2. Since God created it, it belongs to Him
	WHAT GOD HAS – EVERYTHING We do not need to worry about the things that we need to survive
B.	God knows what we need to survive
C.	Seek God first
e.	Seek God's Kingdom
	a. Internally – within us (Luke 17:21; Romans 14:17)
	b. Externally on Earth (Matthew 6:10; 12:28)
	c. Externally in Heaven (1 Corinthians 6:9-10; 15:50)

2. Seek God's Righteousness (Philippians 3:9; 2 Corinthians 5:21)

D God will bless me out of what God has...