



Leading People into a Growing
Relationship with Jesus Christ!

Series: A "How To" Guide

Message: Begin With Mindset

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Learn – "The Key to the Blessed Life is a Heart of Generosity."

READ 1 Timothy 6:17-18 (NLT) "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others."

READ Acts 20:35b (NLT) "You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Which mindset do I have?

A "bag" mindset?

Haggai 1:6 (NLT) "You have planted much but harvest little. You eat but are not satisfied. You drink but are still thirsty. You put on clothes but cannot keep warm. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in pockets filled with holes!"

A "basket" mindset?

Luke 6:38 (NLT) "Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

A "barn" mindset?

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NLT) "Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce. Then he will fill your barns with grain, and your vats will overflow with good wine."

Pastor John said, "The difference between bag mindset people and basket mindset people is that basket mindset people really take God at his word and trust him."



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Live – “Renewing Your Mind”

God says “I am going to give you something before you have any opportunity to give anything to Me: I’m going to give my Son for you whether or not you give me anything.” Pastor John asks us, “Why would we live with a bag mindset when we can have a basket or a barn mindset because our hope is in the provider?”

Love – Worshipping God with the Best You Have

Which comes first—God’s generosity to you, or your generosity to others?

Pastor John reminded us that Jesus spoke about money more than He spoke on Heaven or Hell. He suggested this is because money is the chief competitor with God for our hearts. What does this make you think about?

Lead – Influencing Others

Pastor John said, “We have learned that the more blessed we are, the more we are able to give and the more we are able to receive.”

How does your Pastor and his family’s personal example of joy encourage you?

How can you encourage someone else to enjoy the benefits of selfless generosity in their lives?

Pray!

Jesus spoke a LOT about money, yet he not only gave his money but his very life away for others. The point? Jesus said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

Ask God to reveal HOW He would have you take the next step of generosity in your life.

Ask God to give you PEACE as you trust Him!