

#### **4 PERSPECTIVES ABOUT YOUR POSSESSIONS By Jarrod Davidoff February 27, 2022**

How we view things is how we do things. How I view my possessions is going to determine what I do with my possessions.

#### **The Good Samaritan**

**Luke 10:25** And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

**26** He said to him, “What is written in the law? What is your reading *of it?*”

**27** So he answered and said, “ ‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.’ ”

**28** And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.”

**29** But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

**30** Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead. **31** Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. **32** Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. **33** But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. **34** So he went to *him* and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. **35** On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave *them* to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’ **36** So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?”

**37** And he said, “He who showed mercy on him.”

Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

### **1. FIRST PERSPECTIVE-The Robber**

What is yours is mine and I'm going to take it.

We are not robbers. We all have a bit of robber in you. We are born in sin.

Think of your toddler. They are born robbers.

Think of property law from a toddler's perspective. If I like it, it's mine. If I play with it, it's mine. If it works well it's mine.

If it's broken, it's yours.

Sadly, we have a bit of robber in us.

### **FINANCES**

-We rob God with our finances

### **GIFTS AND TALENTS**

-Our gifts and talents

-Our time

Let's change that today as His kids.

Become a steward, a tither, a giver.

### **TIME**

**Malachi 3:10** "Will a man rob God?  
Yet you have robbed Me!

But you say,  
'In what way have we robbed You?'  
In tithes and offerings.  
**9** You are cursed with a curse,  
For you have robbed Me,  
*Even* this whole nation.  
**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.  
**11** "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes,  
So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground,  
Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field,"  
Says the LORD of hosts;  
**12** "And all nations will call you blessed,  
For you will be a delightful land,"  
Says the LORD of hosts.

**Ephesians 4:28** Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with *his* hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need.

Procrastination is the thief of time: video games.

## **2. Priest and Levite perspective**

What's mine is mine, and I'm going to keep it.

I feel bad for the guy.

But what's mine is mine.

They went to the other side.

Selfishness.

Buy your kids take out or ice cream.

Spent all this money.

You ask the child. Can I have one? NO THEY'RE MINE!

He doesn't know where they came from?

I am the source. I went, I paid.

I can take those fries from him.

I'm in control.

I don't need his fries, I can get my own.

As a dad, I don't need his fries but it would be great to share them with him.

That's how God feels about us.

God is the source-every good and perfect gift is from above.

He's in control, he can take it from us.

He chooses to use us.

When He wanted to multiply the loaves and fish he had to find a kid some loaves and fish.

When we have this perspective what's mine is mine and I'm gonna keep it, it's the wrong perspective.

Here's the Lord is warning us to do:

**1 Corinthians 10:24** Let no one seek his own, but each one the other's *well-being*.

**Proverbs 11:25** The generous soul will be made rich,  
And he who waters will also be watered himself.

### **3. THE GOOD SAMARITAN PERSPECTIVE**

What's mine is yours and I'm going to give it.

He looked at the man who was robbed and he didn't know him, but I have a responsibility, I've got to go over and help him.

His money.

His bandages.

His oil.

His time.

Priest, Levite, good Samaritan all had 3 things in common

1. They all saw the problem
2. They all had an opportunity to help
3. They all had a reason to not help

The reason you are selfish is because you don't want to be inconvenienced.

I'm on my way to Jericho for lunch, I don't want to be late.

There is a life changing perspective on possessions for you to move up to TODAY.

This will change your life.

**2 Corinthians 9:6** But this *I say*: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. **7** So let each one *give* as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. **8** And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may have an abundance for every good work. **9** As it is written:

“He has dispersed abroad,  
He has given to the poor;  
His righteousness endures forever.”

**Luke 6:38** 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.”

**Psalms 112:5** A good man deals graciously and lends;  
He will guide his affairs with discretion.

**6** Surely he will never be shaken;  
The righteous will be in everlasting remembrance.

#### **4. WHAT IS MINE IS NOT MINE, BUT I'M GONNA MANAGE IT**

**1 Chronicles 29:12** Both riches and honor *come* from You,  
And You reign over all.  
In Your hand *is* power and might;  
In Your hand *it is* to make great  
And to give strength to all.

**James 1:17** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

**Matthew 25:21** His lord said to him, ‘Well *done*, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’

**Proverbs 21:20** *There is desirable treasure,  
And oil in the dwelling of the wise,  
But a foolish man squanders it.*

**1 Peter 4:10** As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God

My possessions are not mine, they Gods, it's not my stuff.

The earth is the Lord's.

GIVE SOMEONE \$100 AND WHEN I ask for it, please bring it up.

He was so quick to ring it to me because it's not his money.

The reason you have a battle giving money as you think it's yours.

It's not yours, it's His.

You are just managing it.

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God will only give to you what He knows can flow through you.

Imagine you take a package to the post office and send it to your friend.

A week goes by and your friend says they didn't get it.

You go to the post office and say to the guy, hey I dropped off the package a week ago to deliver to my friend.

And he says, oh, I thought it was for me.

The Lord wants some packages to flow through us..

1. Tithing

2. Offerings

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I'm God's delivery person.

He blesses you with possessions to pass on to Him.

When you see millions getting saved etc you can say I have a part in it.

I have seed in it.

I'm part of the eternity church, STWF organization.

We will all have a piece in this incredible kingdom work.

I'm going to pray that the Lord takes you to level 4.

Pray that you graduate from Good Samaritan school.

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Palmolive soap

Started 10% tithe and increased to 20, 30, 40 then 50%

Hobby Lobby

50%