

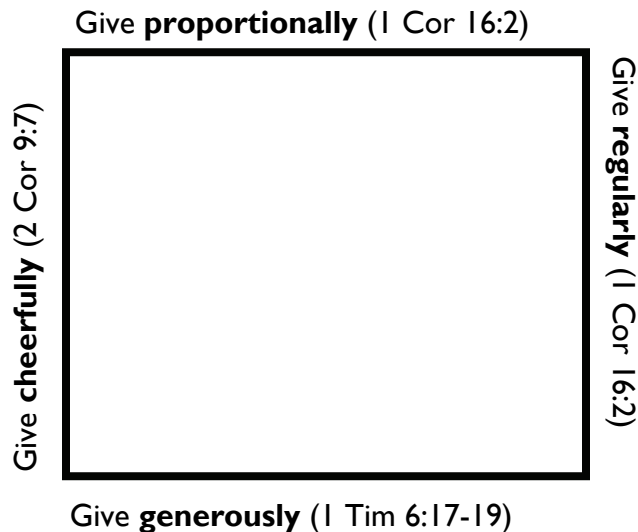
For Further Study:

“The Treasure Principle” by Randy Alcorn
“Revolutions in Generosity”

Small Group Questions:

1. Who is at greater spiritual risk: rich or poor?
2. Do you feel like more money will make you happier?
3. What does money represent to you? Is there an attitude about money that you feel you need to correct?
4. About 15 % of the scriptures deal with money or possessions.
Why do you think it is such a commonly addresses subject?
How do we protect ourselves from false views about money and possessions?
5. What changes do you need to make in your life to be an “In bounds” giver?
6. Does anyone in this group have a need that we can help with either by sharing or giving?

Giving in bounds



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“Predators and Prey” James 5:1-11

1. The dangers of wealth (1-6)

- a. We can be financially wealthy but spiritually bankrupt (1)
- b. Wealth won't satisfy (2, 3)
- c. Wealth is false security (3)

“God put fingers on our hand for the money to slide through them so He can give us more. Whatever a person gives away, God will reimburse.”
- Martin Luther

- d. The greed of the wealthy results in oppression (4)

2. The dangers of poverty (7-9)

“Those poor people, whose faith is in riches they neither own nor can use are among the most unhappy people on earth.” - Dallas Willard

- a. We can become impatient (7, 8)
- b. We can grumble and fight (9)

3. Both the rich and the poor need to depend upon God! (10-11)

Proverbs 30:8 (NIV)

⁸ Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread.