

Taking the Next Step: Taking the Next Step in Giving

Understand that everything belongs to God.

(Psalm 24:1) The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

Realize that you are blessed for a purpose.

(Genesis 12:2) "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.

Reject the lie that giving is someone else's job.

(1 Corinthians 16:2) On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

Give something and see what happens.

(John 6:9, 11) "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?" Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

Tithe

(Malachi 3:10) Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.

Seize God-given moments to give sacrificially.

(Mark 14:3) While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of a man known as Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.