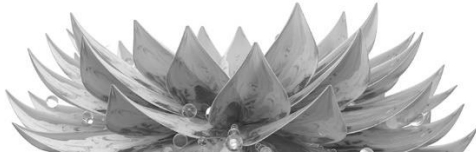


Bloom



Sermon Outline
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Bloom BECAUSE You Were Planted

Bloom: Doing beautiful things with your God-given resources.

The Bloom analogy is consistent with Biblical imagery.

* The Bible both starts AND ends in a _____.

* There are many agricultural and _____ analogies in the Bible.

* Jesus told numerous parables about _____ and fields.

Bloom:

1. _____ you were planted = _____

2. _____ you were planted = _____

3. _____ you are planted = _____

* Why do we talk about stewardship every year?

1. Whether you decide to be a good steward or not, you remain a _____.

2. Our financial situation tends to _____.

3. Godly stewardship is _____ for you.

* Put a check beside each item below that you would enjoy:

Joy

Physical health

Purpose in living

Avoidance of depression

Personal growth

4. Stewardship is one of the important ways you _____ God and stay connected with Him.

* You are not here by accident. You are here on _____.

Psalm 139:13-16 - For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

* Life is not a _____.

The honest truth: *Nobody can do your life for you. You have to do it yourself, whether you're rich or poor, out of money or raking it in, the beneficiary of a ridiculous fortune or terrible injustice. You have to do it no matter what is true. No matter what is hard.*

Steps to bloom as a steward:

1. Address the _____.

1 Timothy 6:10a - For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.

* Money is a great servant but terrible _____.

2 Corinthians 9:7a - Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly...

2. Gain _____.

Matthew 6:21 - For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

3. Create a _____.

1 Corinthians 16:2a - On the first day of every week...

4. Take _____.

...each one of you should set aside a sum of money...

5. Be _____.

...in keeping with your income...

* Even though you can't go back and start again, you can start where you are and make a brand-new _____.