



Sermon Outline
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I'm Responsible FOR

Matthew 6:19-23

Review:

**I'm responsible _____ God for how I
manage His stuff.**

**I'm responsible _____ God's stuff that
I currently possess.**

Preview:

**I'm responsible _____ being generous
with God's stuff.**

Earthly treasure is never _____

*Christ's primary argument against amassing material
wealth isn't that it's morally wrong but simply
because it's a poor investment.*

*He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he
cannot lose. - Jim Elliot*

*I have held many things in my hands and I have lost them all.
But whatever I have placed in God's hands that I still possess.
- Martin Luther*

**You invest eternally by being
_____ toward others**

1 Timothy 6:18-19 - Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

Matthew 10:42 - And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward."

Generosity is a _____ of salvation

Luke 19:8-9a - But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount." Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house..."

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

- ___ **Happiness**
- ___ **Bodily health**
- ___ **Purpose in living**
- ___ **Avoidance of depression**
- ___ **Interest in personal growth**

There's a Paradox of Generosity:
_____ we gain, _____ we lose

Matthew 16:25 - For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.

**Those who give generously end up increasing
the quality of _____**

Proverbs 11:24-25 - One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

**There's _____ second chance to use your
present wealth for Christ in the next life**