

# How Do We Honor God with What We've Been Given?

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#### WARM UP

What is something God has blessed you with?

#### INTRODUCTION

We serve a gracious God who blesses us with everything we need. This raises an important question: How should we respond to God's blessings? This weekend, we started a new series called "The Good Steward." We'll begin discussing the series today by looking at how we can honor God with what we've been given.

### DISCUSSION

These questions are a guide. Please select the ones that will work best for your group. You do not have to discuss them all.

- 1. What is the difference between a "steward" and an "owner"?
- 2. Why do we tend to think of ourselves as owners of our resources rather than stewards?
- 3. Why is it important to let God's Word be the authoritative voice on how we handle money?
- 4. Read Matthew 6:21. How is our treasure connected to our heart?
- 5. Why is the starting point for biblical stewardship the tithe?
- 6. Read Malachi 3:6-12. What do you find challenging about this passage?
- 7. What is encouraging about Malachi 3:6-12?
- 8. What is God after with the tithe?
- 9. If you are a consistent tither, tell us why you started tithing and what you've seen God do in your life as a result.

## APPLICATION

Is the idea of tithing a challenge for you? If so, why?

Will you commit this week to start tithing?

#### PRAYER

- Pray for anyone who responds to the application questions above.
- Pray for everyone in the group to become better stewards of God's resources, and for everyone to love and trust God more in the area of finances.
- Take prayer requests and pray for any needs in the group.