

Tri-Village Sermon Discussion Questions
Topic: *Honoring God by Giving Him Our Best*
Text: Proverbs 3:9-10; Genesis 4:1-7
Service Date: November 8, 2026

Note: The questions are only a starting point for discussion. Don't hesitate to modify, adapt, or highlight only specific ones to fit your group and/or personal study.

Getting Started

- What's something you've purchased that turned out to be a great investment? What's something you purchased that you later regretted?
- If someone looked at your spending habits over the past month, what might they conclude you're most passionate about?

Main Idea: Honoring God with our first and best is about more than money. It's about our priorities, our hearts, and our willingness to trust Him.

Sermon Discussion

- Read Genesis 4:1–7. What differences do you notice between Cain's and Abel's offerings? Why do you think God responded differently to each?
- Hebrews 11:4 tells us that Abel offered his gift by faith. How does faith influence not only what we give to God but also the attitude with which we give?
- The sermon emphasized that generosity isn't primarily about what God wants from us but what God wants to do in and through us. How does this perspective change the way we think about generosity?
- Read Mark 12:41–44. Why did Jesus highlight the widow's offering when others were giving much larger amounts? What does this reveal about how God measures generosity?
- Have another person read Proverbs 3:9–10. What does it mean to honor God with our "first fruits"? How is giving God our first and best different from giving Him what's left over?
- The sermon asked, "Who gets priority—you or God?" What are some ways our everyday decisions reveal the answer to that question?
- Cain's response to Abel revealed deeper issues of jealousy and selfishness. How can comparing our financial situations or possessions with others lead to discontentment?

- The sermon contrasted living in the "tent of contentment" versus the "tent of discontentment." What are some signs that someone is living in each? What helps us develop greater contentment?

- Jesus said, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21). Do you think our spending follows our passions, or can our spending actually shape our passions? Explain.

- The sermon reminded us that God wants us to enjoy the resources He's provided while also putting Him first. How can we find a healthy balance between enjoying God's blessings and being generous with them?

- The sermon identified three important steps in honoring God with our resources: priority (put God first), passion (give God your best), and perseverance (trust God with the rest). Which of these do you think is most challenging for Christians today? Why?

- What are some obstacles that keep people from taking the next step in their generosity journey? How can trusting God's provision help us overcome those obstacles, especially during financially difficult seasons?

This Week's Action Response

- God gave us His first and best through Jesus Christ. As you reflect on His generosity toward you, what's one specific step you can take this week to honor Him with your first and best—whether through your finances, time, talents, or priorities?