

The Power of Giving:

GIVING OUR TIME & TALENTS

Introduction

In the past 168 hours (one week):

How much time did you spend sleeping? _____

How much time did you spend eating? _____

How much time did you spend on your phone/media?

How much time did you spend working? _____

How much time did you spend in church or serving
God? _____

Over the life span of 70 years, you spend.....

Time is mentioned in the Bible _____ times.

I. Christ's Thoughts on Time

- A. Christ knew the value of time | Luke 2:49
- B. Christ knew the limit of time | John 9:4
- C. Christ knew the use of time | John 4:34
- D. Christ knew the brevity of time | John 12:35

II. Stewardship of Talent

- A. The stewardship of talents is predicated on the fact that God expects all Christians to produce good works.
- B. The stewardship of talents is predicated on the fact that God expects all Christians to produce good works because he has given us the capacity to do so.
 - 1. Ephesians 4:7 | Everyone is given
 - 2. God has given you talents and abilities

III. Seven Laws Pertaining to Stewardship of Talents

Matthew 25:14-30

- 1. From God | Vs. 14-15
- 2. Based on our ability | Vs. 15
- 3. We are responsible for what is given to us | Vs. 16-18
- 4. We will give an account | Vs. 19-25
- 5. Should show a gain | Vs. 26-27
- 6. Rewarded for using our talents | Vs. 20-23
- 7. Refusing to use our talents will cause suffering | Vs. 24-30

Conclusion

- **A sitting saint makes a sinning world suspicious of His savior.**