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“Then he said to them, ‘Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.’” (Luke 12:15)

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Jesus counsels us to be wise stewards of our time, talent, and treasure, which he has blessed us with. He also instructs us to use the unrighteous “mammon” of this world, or our worldly resources, to win friends for eternity. The giants of consumerism and greed can eat us alive. These giants can also keep us from investing in projects and endeavors that will produce eternal rewards. The influence that we have while we interact with one another is important, for each person will live eternally in either heaven or hell. This truth takes on much greater implication when we consider that, in the Word of God, we are told all our worldly endeavors will pass away. But the reward of being used by God to influence others to put their trust in him will last into eternity.

God has given us all things to enjoy. He also wants us to be generous and willing to share, to do good to others and to be rich in good works in accordance with our means. God loves a cheerful giver!

One of the surest paths of seeing God work in your life is to become a cheerful giver. Paul says that God is able to make all grace abound to such a person. So instead of being a “getter,” allow God’s Spirit to begin transforming you into being a giver.

Heart Deposit

Take a moment to consider: Are you more fulfilled by the accumulation of stuff or by impacting someone for Christ? What impact are you seeking to make in this world that is immeasurable from a human point of view?

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“Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, or homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor slanderers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.” (1 Corinthians 6:9-10, NASB)

“I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.” (Luke 16:9)

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:7)