

SERMON NOTES

Title: God Doesn't Want Your Money

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Topic: Stewardship

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"The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him" - Psalm 24:1

Satan has succeeded in convincing many that God is a **party pooper**.

God's ultimate motive in establishing the boundaries, standards and principles for our lives is not for **His benefit but for ours**.

Stewardship = the proper **management** of the resources God **entrusts into our care**. (Matthew 25:14-30)

When the God who gave and who is so lavishly generous to us takes up residence in our lives we can't help but be **givers**.

The big obstacle to stewardship in our lives as believers is that we are sometimes confused about **who owns our stuff**. Gen.1:1; Psalm 24:1

We are **accountable** to God for how we manage **His** resources. Romans 14: 10-12

Giving of our financial resources is **only part** of our stewardship.

Stewardship involves the giving of yourself. And that includes...

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME (Ephesians 5:15-17)

According to a Harris poll the average American watches television **17** hours a week. Other research shows that elementary school children watch TV, on the average of **20** hours a week. By the time the average child is 15 years old he/she will have witnessed the violent destruction of more than **13,000** human lives.

STEWARDSHIP OF WORDS (Matthew 12:36; James 1:26; 5:5-10)

*"He who has a sharp tongue will soon **cut his own throat**"*

Stewardship is more of a **privilege** than a responsibility, because when you give, ultimately you are the **benefactor**.

What God really wants is **you**.

"It is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose." Jim Elliott