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**PART 1 -
DO YOU WANT TO BE
MORE BLESSED?**

“And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’ Acts 20:35

**A LIFE OF BLESSING COMES FROM A LIFE OF
GIVING.**

“If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.” Matthew 16:24-25

“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.” Mark 10:45

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” John 3:16

**A LIFE OF BLESSING COMES FROM
A LIFE OF GIVING
BECAUSE A LIFE OF GIVING IS THE
LIFE OF JESUS.**

“How many loaves do you have? Go and see.” Mark 6:38

He didn't offer more because he had more.

He offered more because he knew more.

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.” 2 Corinthians 8:9

“Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men...Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name.” Philippians 2:5-9

**THE ONLY THINGS GOD BLESSES ARE THE
THINGS WE GIVE INTO HIS HANDS.**

It's not what you give, but rather what you hold back that might be holding you back.

**“Give, and it will be given to you: good measure,
pressed down, shaken together, and running over
will be put into your bosom. For with the same
measure that you use, it will be measured back to
you.” Luke 6:38**



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PART 2 -
ARE YOU READY
TO BE BLESSED?

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“He instituted for us this great mystery of godliness for being determined to give Himself up to death for the life of the world.”

“He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon [worldly wealth], who will commit to your trust the true riches?” Luke 16:10-11

GOD IS USING EARTHLY RICHES TO TEST MY READINESS FOR HEAVENLY BLESSINGS.

**Our definition of rich isn't based on what we HAVE,
but rather on what we WISH we had.**

“The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.” Proverbs 10:22

“The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?’ So he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.” But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” Luke 12:16-21

HOW TO FAIL: BELIEVE MORE IS ALWAYS FOR ME.

HOW TO PASS: BELIEVE I RECEIVE MORE TO GIVE MORE.

“Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life” 1 Timothy 6:17-19

CREATE MARGIN AND ASK GOD HOW TO USE IT.

NO MARGIN MEANS NO GIVING.

NO GIVING MEANS NO BLESSING.



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PART 3 -
SERVING IS A
WAY OF LIFE

“What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don’t they come from your desires that battle within you? You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.” James 4:1-3

**GREATNESS COMES FROM SERVING OTHERS,
NOT MYSELF.**

“Now there was also a dispute among them, as to which of them should be considered the greatest.” Luke 22:24

“But he who is greatest among you shall be your servant.” Matthew 23:11

MY GREATNESS IS CONNECTED TO MY SERVING.

1. SERVING ISN’T SOMETHING WE DO; IT’S WHO WE ARE.

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.” Galatians 6:10

2. SERVING OTHERS REQUIRES JUST ONE ABILITY: AVAILABILITY.

“Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in the power of your hand to do so. Do not say to your neighbor, “Go, and come back, and tomorrow I will give it,” when you have it with you.” Proverbs 3:27-28

3. SERVING OTHERS IS REWARDING BOTH INTRINSICALLY AND EXTRINSICALLY.

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. To be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen" St. Francis of Assisi

"Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me." Matthew 25:34-36

"Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." Matthew 25:40

**IT'S BY SERVING OTHERS THAT WE SERVE
CHRIST HIMSELF.**

"Well done, good and faithful SERVANT; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your Lord."

Matthew 25:21



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Whether you're just visiting or looking to stay, it's great to have you with us!

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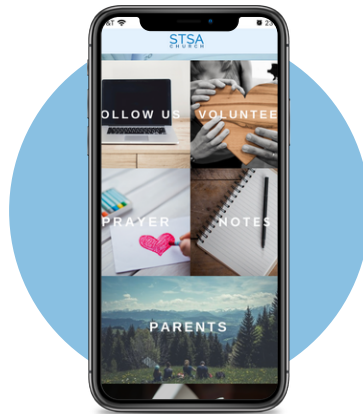
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Stop by the Connection Table so we can get to know each other and pick up your welcome gift.

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