Man to Man

Week 8: Manage Your Resources

Thought
God has given each of us time, talents and abilities. God has called us to best utilize all three of these things, along with two additional resources they provide: our money and our possessions. One of the greatest ways to show God our gratitude for all He has given us is to manage it all wisely, and to use our resources for the benefit of others and not for ourselves. God will continue to give us more to manage as we prove we are useful with what He has already provided.

Scripture
When someone has been given much, much will be required in return; and when someone has been entrusted with much, even more will be required.
Luke 12:48 (NLT)

God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.
1 Peter 4:10-11 (NLT)

Now, a person who is put in charge as a manager must be faithful.
1 Corinthians 4:2 (NLT)

Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.
Luke 19:17 (NIV)

Discussion Questions
- Using a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the lowest, how would you rate yourself on managing your resources?
- In what ways are you using your time, talents and resources to serve Him? Respond to each part separately.
- In what ways are you giving your first and best to Him?

Next Steps
What is one practical step you can take this week to move one step?

Make a list of your resources, determine how to best use each for Him, and immediately put that plan into action!
Closing Thoughts
Ask the group members to pair up and exchange phone numbers to connect and pray before next week’s meeting.

What is the next step each group member should take to move closer to Christ (i.e. weekend service, water baptism, Growth Track or Dream Team)?

Encourage each member to read his Bible and pray with his children and spouse daily.

Close in prayer.