

# BLESSED - 3

## BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

- **YOU ARE BLESSED TO BE A \_\_\_\_\_.**

*It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20:35*

*Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God... for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.*

2 Corinthians 9:13-14

### BIG BLESSING MISTAKES

- 1) SOME \_\_\_\_\_ **GOD'S BLESSINGS.**
- 2) SOME \_\_\_\_\_ **FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS.**
- 3) SOME \_\_\_\_\_ **GOD'S BLESSINGS.**

- **TITHING IS NOT \_\_\_\_\_.**

*A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the LORD; it is holy to the LORD. Leviticus 27:30*

*“Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How do we rob you?’“In tithes and offerings. Malachi 3:8*

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- 1) **WE ARE BLESSED TO GIVE \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:6-7*

- 2) **WE ARE BLESSED TO GIVE \_\_\_\_\_.**

*...a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head. Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume? It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." Mark 14:3-5*

- 3) **WE ARE BLESSED TO GIVE \_\_\_\_\_.**

*... this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything-all she had to live on." Mark 12:43-44*

*No, I insist on paying you for it. I will not sacrifice to the LORD my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.*

2 Samuel 24:24

### Personal Reflective Questions

- 1) **We examined three mistakes people make regarding God's blessings. Some ignore blessings. Some apologize for blessings. Some hoard blessings. Be very honest when you answer. What is your biggest struggle of the three and *why*?**
- 2) **God wants you to give joyfully, extravagantly, and sacrificially. How do you *love* to give? (Giving could include your time, your talents, or your finances.) How can you learn to give in a way that stretches you?**
- 3) **How can your Small Group learn to give extravagantly together?**