

GIVING PRINCIPLES >>>>>

The worship that God wants is this: caring for orphans or widows who need help and keeping yourself free from the world's evil influence. This is the kind of worship that God accepts as pure and good.



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"You cannot serve two masters at the same time. You will hate one and love the other, or you will be loyal to one and not care about the other. **You cannot serve God and Money** at the same time. Matthew 6:24

Giving is done to help those in need.

At this time you have plenty and can provide what they need. Then later, when they have plenty, they can provide what you need. Then everyone will have an equal share. 2 Corinthians 8:14

To advance the Kingdom of God.

It is the same with those who have the work of telling the Good News. The Lord has commanded that **those who tell the Good News should get** their living from this word. 1 Corinthians 9:14

To lay up treasures in heaven.

¹⁹ "Don't save treasures for yourselves here on earth. Moths and rust will destroy them. And thieves can break into your house and steal them. ²⁰ *Instead, save your treasures in heaven,* where they cannot be destroyed by moths or rust and where thieves cannot break in and steal them. ²¹ *Your heart will be where your treasure is.* ²² "The only source of light for the body is the eye. If you look at people and want to help them, you will be full of light. ²³ But if you look at people in a selfish way, you will be full of darkness. And if the only light you have is really darkness, you have the worst kind of darkness.

Matthew 6:19-23

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