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Simple Living, Generous Giving
Generosity series
Clearing the Clutter

In a world driven by more - more stuff, more speed, more pressure - Jesus invites us into a different way of life. A life marked not by accumulation, but by purpose. Not by scarcity, but by trust. Not by holding tightly, but by giving freely.

1. Read Matthew 6:19-24.
2. What are some “treasures” that we tend to hold onto? Why do we attach so much value to possessions?
3. What did Jesus mean when he said in verse 20, “But store up treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break through and steal?”
4. Is Jesus expanding the vision of what treasures really are?
5. A verse that has confused many is verse 21, “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Why didn’t Jesus say the reverse, “For where your heart is, your treasure will follow?”
6. Can we trust our heart? Or, is it better to allow what we invest in and give our time too, to shape and mold our affections (heart)?
7. How can we keep God first when we know that money is a concern of all of us to some degree?
8. The Bible does not say, “Money is the root of all evil.” What it does say is “The love of money is the root of all evil” (I Timothy 6:10). How can we use money, but not love money where it becomes all consuming in our lives?
9. The fruit of gratitude is generosity. How can we grow in our generosity through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness?
10. What is one take away from these questions and this discussion that you would like to apply and work on this coming week?