

## Money and Stuff:

### My Journey

My journey with my finances has dramatically changed since I internalized three truths:

**1. God owns \_\_\_\_\_.** (1 Chronicles 29:10-14)

*The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.*  
Psalms 24:1 (NLT)

*Now if you will obey me and keep my covenant, you will be my own special treasure from among all the nations of the earth; for all the earth belongs to me.*  
Exodus 19:5 (NLT)

*Who will confront me and remain safe? Everything under heaven is mine.*  
Job 41:11 (NLT)

*The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD Almighty.*  
Haggai 2:8 (NLT)

**2. God \_\_\_\_\_ me, so that I can \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup> And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."*  
Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV)

*He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.<sup>11</sup> You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.*  
2 Corinthians 9:10-11 (NIV)

**3. I can't \_\_\_\_\_ God.**

*One man gives freely, yet gains even more;  
another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.*

<sup>25</sup> *A generous man will prosper;  
he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.*

Proverbs 11:24-25 (NIV)

*Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*  
Luke 6:38 (NIV)

*Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup> Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. <sup>9</sup> As it is written:*

*"He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor;  
his righteousness endures forever."*

*2 Corinthians 9:6-9 (NIV)*

*The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, <sup>23</sup> but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!*

*Matthew 6:22-23 (NIV)*

*He who is generous will be blessed, For he gives some of his food to the poor.*

*(Proverbs 22:9 NASB)*

*Don't eat with people who are stingy; don't desire their delicacies. They are always thinking about how much it costs. "Eat and drink," they say, but they don't mean it.*

*(Proverbs 23:6-7 NLT)*