

SEEDS

Part 3: Financial Seeds

Matthew 13:31 NKJ ... The Kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed ...

I. BARRIERS TO FINANCIAL SOWING

A. Why the lack of excitement?

1. God only cares about spiritual things - money is evil
2. Skeptical of preachers and money
3. Our money and our heart are closely connected - where your treasure is
4. Lack of buy-in to sowing and reaping (**Luke 6:38 NKJ**)

II. JESUS AND A SEED (*Mark 6:34-44 NIV*)

A. Jesus was concerned about hungry people

1. He had compassion and taught them
2. He did not opt to send them away - He fed them

B. What do you have?

1. The disciples were thinking what they had in terms of money
2. Jesus was talking about a seed
3. A boy was willing to sow his lunch - put it into Jesus hands

C. Jesus multiplies the seed

1. He did not create something out of nothing
2. He provided enough for all to be filled
3. Twelve baskets taken up

III. SOWING FINANCIAL SEEDS (*2 Corinthians 9:6-8 NKJ*)

A. How you sow / give

1. It's always your call - little or much
2. Sowing sparingly or bountifully is a function of what you have, a percentage

C. The heart behind your sowing / giving

1. With some joy - not grudgingly
2. Not under pressure - compulsion
3. Giving with a joyful heart pleases God

C. The results of cheerful sowing / giving

1. God can make grace come your way - give Him something to work with
2. Grace can show up in many different facets - jobs, favor, ideas, promotions, deals, money
3. An abundance for every good work - from His Kingdom to your responsibilities
4. He still can multiply your seed (**2 Corinthians 9:10 NKJ**)