

HOW TO LOVE LIKE JESUS

STUDY GUIDE

Genesis 28:18–22, Malachi 3:8–10, Matthew 6:21–24, 1 Chronicles 29:10–14,
Hebrews 11:6

Observation questions

1. How does the message define stewardship, and what does it mean to manage something God has entrusted to us?
2. According to the message, what is the difference between a tithe and an offering, and why is giving the tithe first significant?
3. In Genesis 28, how did Jacob respond to God's protection and provision, and what did he promise to give back to God?
4. According to Malachi 3, what invitation does God give His people concerning the tithe and trusting Him?

Interpretation questions

1. Why does putting God first financially reveal something deeper about our faith, trust, and surrender to Him?
2. The message says, "Tithing is the start of trusting God, not the end of trusting God." What does this teach us about the relationship between generosity and overall stewardship?
3. In 1 Chronicles 29, David recognizes that everything ultimately belongs to God. How should that truth change the way we view our money, possessions, and resources?
4. Jesus says in Matthew 6 that we cannot serve both God and money. Why can money so easily become a source of security, peace, or identity instead of God?

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Application questions

1. How are you currently stewarding the resources God has entrusted to you?
Where are you doing well, and where could you grow?
2. When you experience financial stress or uncertainty, where do you naturally look for peace and security: your finances or God as your provider?
3. If someone looked at your spending, what would it reveal about the priorities of your heart?
4. Is there anything keeping you from consistently trusting and honoring God with your finances? What fear, past experience, habit, or mindset might be behind it?
5. Are there areas where your desires have been taking priority over faithful stewardship? What could you change?
6. The message challenges us to live a consistently generous and sacrificial life, where our actions, words, works, and wallets demonstrate faith in God. Which of those areas is God challenging you to grow in?
7. Do you tend to think of giving as something you have to do or something you get to do because of what God has already provided? How could gratitude change your perspective?
8. What is one practical step you can take this week to put God first and become a more faithful steward of what He has entrusted to you?