



Foundation Scripture: Psalm 112:1-6

- I. Giving God Something to Work With
  - A. **II Kings 4:1-7**
    - 1. Last week: Storehouse Principal
    - 2. Shut the door to the outside influence and receive from God’s overflow once you enter His presence
      - **Matthew 6:6** “Enter into your closet, and when you have shut the door...”
      - God’s blessing on your life is not something you have to shout from the rooftops; learn to be quiet and thankful!
  - B. Forgiveness
    - 1. **Matthew 6:12, 14-15** “Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.”
    - 2. **Mark 11:25** “When you stand praying, forgive, if you have ought...”
  - C. Diligence/Stewardship
    - 1. **Proverbs 10:4** “The hand of the diligent makes rich.” (**Diligent – incisive, penetrating, cutting; a threshing sledge; determination, eager**)
    - 2. **Proverbs 13:4, Proverbs 22:29**

- **When you understand diligence, you will understand sacrifice. It’s not taking something away...it’s simply giving God something to work with...your best!**

- II. The Law of Sowing and Reaping
  - A. **Galatians 6:7**
    - 1. **Message Bible** “Don’t be misled: No one makes a fool of God. What a person plants, he will harvest. The person who plants selfishness, ignoring the needs of others, ignoring God – harvests a crop of weeds.”
    - 2. **Galatians 6:9-10** – Don’t grow weary in the fight; when there is opportunity always do what is right!
  - B. **II Corinthians 9:6-8**
    - 1. You will never be able to “out give” God’s blessing.
    - 2. **Luke 6:38** (Your giving makes all the difference in the world – look at Cornelius in **Acts 10:4**)