

From the Zucchetto

Dear Saints of St. Paul's,

Please read, mark, learn and inwardly digest the following pearls from God's Word as you prepare to respond to his call to be faithful stewards of your time, talent and money during the coming year. Your pledge form will be mailed to you the week after we celebrate the 130th Birthday of St. Paul's and will be returned to the church on Sunday, November 1, All Saints' Day.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Malachi 3:10

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

1 Timothy 6:17-18

As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

Deuteronomy 8:18

You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth.

1 Chronicles 29:14

"But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

Matthew 6:19-21

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Leviticus 27:30

"Every tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the trees, is the LORD's; it is holy to the LORD.

Deuteronomy 8:17-18

Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.' You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth . . .

1 Timothy 6:10

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

Deuteronomy 16:17

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God that he has given you.

Proverbs 3:9-10

Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

May the Joy of the Lord be with you all.

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