Fields of Gold: Life Group Study In the Light of Eternity Experiencing the "Treasures of Heaven." Week 2 of Study 2



Introduction:

Discuss the story of Donald Rauer (pp123-127)

- 1. How did Donald get around his initial fear of giving? How does this parallel to us and giving?
- 2. What was the end result of his giving—both on others and on himself?
- 3. How do you imagine your life would change if you gave the way Donald Rauer gave?

Bible Study:

It is so important for us to remember that our money is not really "ours." Our money is a gift of God's provision. We are purposed to steward for God's glory, purposes, and benefit.

Read Haggai 1.

- 1. Who would you say was "living large" in the text? Who was being neglected?
- 2. What has God done because of this neglect? How does this action and 2 Corinthians 9:6 compare?
- 3. If God asked you what you have done so far with His money, how would you feel? Are there any changes you think you should make?
- 4. What is the purpose of all of life, including our finances? Are you neglecting your purpose and your God?

Application:

God's desire for us concerning finances is that we would trust Him to provide. His desire is that we steward our finances, not for our own benefit, but for the benefit of His Kingdom.

- 1. Has reading "Fields of Gold" changed anything about the way you think about money and giving?
- 2. What action will you take because of this new way of thinking? Who will hold you accountable?
- As a group, pray that the people of Kingsway will take an eternal perspective of their finances.
 Pray that we will not be self-centered or fearful in our giving, but generous to advance God's Kingdom.