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“Making a Difference through Generosity”
Matthew 6:1-4, 19-24
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“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of people, to be seen by them. Otherwise, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. ² So whenever you give to the poor, don’t sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be applauded by people. I assure you: They’ve got their reward! ³ But when you give to the poor, don’t let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴ so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. “Don’t collect for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But collect for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves don’t break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ²² “The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. ²³ But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. So if the light within you is darkness—how deep is that darkness! ²⁴ “No one can be a slave of two masters, since either he will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot be slaves of God and of money.” Matthew 6:1-4, 19-24

1. Praise ***“Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of people...”*** (1)

2. Profit ***“Don’t collect for yourselves treasures on earth...”*** (14)

3. Priority ***“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”*** (21)

4. Perception ***“The eye is the lamp of the body...”*** (22)

5. Paradigm *"You cannot be slaves of God and of money."* (24)

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