

Sunday Service: A Giving Heart

28th September 2014

The Word:

- The word of the Lord in 2013, 'I want you to begin to make provision for the future'
- Sometimes in the church today, there can be a lot of resistance in the area of financial giving
- There are often mind-sets around this area of our lives which can be built through our upbringing, experience, others misuse of finances etc
- But we must not let the enemy yoke us, and our thinking, because of the sins of others
- Jesus became poor so that we could become rich: rich in wealth, rich in mind, rich in health, rich in family...
- Financial provision allows us to be a blessing to others: mission in Africa, meet the needs of others etc. If we are poor, we are unable to do the things our hearts are compelled to do
- The reason it is good to be blessed, is so that we can be a blessing to others
- The righteous man will see the blessing around his life as a resource to bless others and build the kingdom of God
- Why do we give? Because God has blessed us!
- God doesn't respond to the mind, He responds to the heart. When you have the heart of God, you want what God wants, and you have the heart of a giver, a generous spirit
- The heart that loves God, loves to give; the heart that loves God, loves to worship-**God looks at the heart**
- You can't honour only with your words, you honour with action
- Everything that we build and establish is for the future generations

Key Scriptures:

- Matt 5v14-16: "You are the light of the world..."
- Gen 13v2: "Abram had become very wealthy..."
- Gen 26v13: "The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow"
- Acts 13v22: "... David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart..."

Notices:

Unashamed 412 Conference: 9-12th October, register online or at the info desk

Best Years Lunch: Wednesday 8th October: 'Keeping your Brain Young and Healthy'

GenZ Holiday Programme: WINZ subsidies available, available for both weeks of the school holidays. Contact the church office

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Notes for the CG Meeting: