

Effective Stewardship Program
Bible Study
July 22, 2012

This month, we are seeking to explore and apply the truth of 1 Corinthians 10:31 which says: “So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.” Last month’s study pointed to the fact that everything belongs to God. God has given us His blessings for our needs, for our use, for our enjoyment and to do good to others.

Through baptism, Christ lives in us, and the life we live in this body is by faith in Him. In Christ, we glorify God in all things. One way we glorify God is by our giving. By the power of the Gospel, we are able to give freely, generously and joyfully of ourselves, of our possessions and of our wealth.

Read these verses to your students or have them look up these verses in their Bibles. Discuss with them how they can glorify God in the use of their possessions and money.

You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing (Psalm 145:16).

You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth (Deut. 8:17-18).

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also (Matt. 6:19-21).

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God (Col. 3:1-3).

Ask your students the following questions:

1. How do you view everything that is “yours”?
2. In what ways can you glorify God? How does the giving of self, possessions and money glorify God?