

A pair of hands, palms up, holding a red heart. The background is a blurred green field.

3 COMMITMENTS THAT LEAD TO OPEN HANDS

- The Bible teaches that God loves to see a generous heart.
- There are three different mindsets:
 - _____ maximize the value of money today.
 - _____ maximize the value of money in the future.
 - _____ maximize the value of money in eternity.
- Those who have the servant mindset and are impacting eternity with their financial resources are not doing it by accident. There are some Biblical commitments that they have made.

First commitment – “I will not live for the material but for the _____.”

- A materialist believes that only what you can see and touch is reality.
- Jesus warned about this. **Matthew 6:19-21**

“If you then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sits on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.” **Colossians 3:1-2**

- Generosity allows us to enjoy eternal treasures that will _____ be taken from us.

Second commitment – “I will cap my _____ so I can be generous.”

“But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish and harmful lusts, which drown men in ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all evil. While coveting after money, some have strayed from the faith and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.” **1 Timothy 6:9-10 MEV**

“If riches increase, set not your heart upon them.” **Psalm 62:10b**

Third commitment – “I will control my _____.”

- Uncontrolled _____ prohibits us from living a generous, Christ-like life.

“The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.”

Proverbs 22:7

- When we are in debt, we have lost our _____ to some degree.
- Excessive spending and out-of-control debt are _____ signs that we love things more than we love God.