

Sermon Series: Blessed to Be a Blessing

“How Should I Use God’s Blessings?”

Acts 20:33-35
Pew Bible pg# 1156

- Jesus teaches that I am “*more blessed*” when I learn how to take my existing blessings and _____ them with others.
- In other words, I am blessed in order that I might be a _____ to someone else!
- You may ask, “You mean I have to take my blessings and give them all away?” Certainly not. But what is God’s plan for the believer?

First, God has blessed you to provide for your _____ . vs. 34a

- “*For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.*” **2 Thessalonians 3:10**
- The Bible defines what “needs” are in 1 Timothy 6:6-8.

Second, God has blessed you to provide for your _____ ones. vs. 34b

- “*But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.*” **1 Timothy 5:8**

Third, God has blessed you so that you can bless _____ . vs. 35

- Here is the danger. We spend so much of God's blessings on ourselves that we have nothing or very little left to be a _____ to others.
- According to the Bible, one of the prime motivations we should have for working and making money is so that we can _____. 1 Timothy 6:17-18
- *"Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."*
Ephesians 4:28

- God has blessed you to be a blessing.
- What we hoard and spend on ourselves will all be left behind and forever _____ when we die.
- What we _____ away will impact lives on this earth after we are dead and gone, and throughout eternity.