



1. A Measure of Church Health = _____

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2. Biblical _____

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3. Beware _____

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1. A Measure of Church Health = Sacrifice & Generosity

A. Imitating God

Ephesians 5:1–2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

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1 John 3:16-18

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

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B. Trusting God

Proverbs 11:24-25

One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.

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Luke 6:38

give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you

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1 Timothy 6:17-18

...[don't] set your hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. ...do good, be rich in good works, be generous and ready to share

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C. Avoiding Selfishness

Luke 12:15

Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.

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C. Avoiding Selfishness

D. Valuing What's Eternal

2. Biblical Giving to Christ's Church

A. The Principle (**1 Cor. 9:7-14**)

B. The Requirement (**Gal. 6:6**)

C. The Recipient (**Num.18:21-26; Phil.4:18**)

D. The Motive (**Ps.56:10-13**)

E. The Amount (a "tithe"?)

F. The Interval (**Pr. 3:9**)

G. The Attitude (**2 Cor.9:6-8**)

3. Beware Money's Hazards

A. It's Intoxicating (Eccl.5:10-20)

B. It Wants Preeminence (Lk.16:13-15)

C. It Can Kill Interest in Christ (Mt.13:22)

D. It Makes a Lousy God (Pr.23:1-5)



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