

The church in Irving

Fellowship Time

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Life Lessons, Lesson Twenty-Four—The Offering of Material Riches (2)

IV. The Use

Phil. 1:5 *"For your fellowship unto the furtherance of the gospel from the first day until now."*

Phil. 4:15-16 *"...Philippians...you sent both once and again to my need."*

Rom. 12:13 *"Contribute to the needs of the saints..."*

V. The Amount

Acts 11:29 *"And the disciples, according to how one was prospered, determined, each one of them, to send things for dispensing..."*

1 Cor. 16:2 *"...Each one of you should lay aside in store to himself whatever he may have been prospered..."*

VI. The Way

2 Cor. 8:4-5 *"With much entreaty they besought of us the grace and the fellowship of the ministry to the saints; and...they gave themselves first to the Lord, and to us through the will of God."*

Matt. 6:1-4 *"But take care not to do your righteousness [giving alms] before men in order to be gazed at by them; otherwise, you have no reward with your Father who is in the heavens. Therefore when you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be glorified by men. Truly I say to you, They have their reward in full. But you, when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you."*

VII. The Significance

2 Cor. 8:4 *"...The fellowship of the ministry to the saints."*

2 Cor. 9:9 *"...He has given to the poor; his righteousness abides forever."*

Heb. 13:16 *"But do not forget doing good and sharing with others, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased."*

References

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