

Talk It Over

Questions are prepared each week and are designed to prompt insights, questions, and the life experience of each listener. If these are used immediately following the sermon, it would be much the same as what was done in Israel at the time of the early church.

- 1. A distinction was made between "acute generosity" and "sustained generosity." After acts of acute generosity we have a good feeling of accomplishment. Often, when we support something financially over the long term, we don't have that feeling. Why is that? How do you look at acts of sustained generosity?
- 2. Matthew 6:21: "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." How have you seen this scripture played out in life?
- 3. Read Mark 12: 41-43. What was Jesus really asking here? Does he want us to give all our money away and live in poverty?



- 4. The practice of tithing is mentioned throughout the Old Testament. How do you view tithing? Do you think it is a legitimate spiritual practice or one of the things in the Old Testament that no longer applies?
- 5. Have you experienced God's "blessing cycle" where you surrender yourself to God and he blesses you? What was that experience like?
- 6. McLane Church has been known for its hospitality and service to the community. How do you feel about providing the financial resources to continue that?

<u>Wrap Up:</u>

Share a time of prayer together.