Giving - Leadership Skip Gray

I. Introduction.

II. One's heart is always located where his treasure is.

- A. If Jesus does not have control of our finances, he does not have control of us. (Matthew 6:21)
- B. The one that is not faithful in the least will not be faithful with true riches. (Luke 16:10-13)
- C. Power comes from availability to the Spirit.

III. Joy and being broken was the foundation of generosity. (2 Corinthians 8:1)

IV. God will supply our needs, but we are called to make sacrifice. (Philippians 4:17-19)

V. God may entrust us with riches, but we are not to trust riches. We must trust God. (1 Timothy 6:6, Proverbs 17)

VI. Principles of leadership in the life of David. (1 Samuel 16)

- A. Humility.
 - 1. There is no salvation without humility. (Matthew 8)
 - 2. There is no victory without humility. (1 Peter 5:5-7)
 - 3. There is no fellowship without humility. (Luke 15:17-19)
- B. Faithfulness. David was obedient to his father.
 - 1. He was willing to accept additional responsibility.
 - 2. He demonstrated he was trustworthy. (1 Thessalonians 2)
 - 3. Accepting additional responsibility was David's open door for more responsibility.
- C. A secret life with God. God knows whether we have made false promises. (Psalm 24:3-4)
- D. Faith.

E. Prudence. David did not use Saul's armor against Goliath because it would have been over his head and Saul would have gotten the credit.

Application questions:

1. How would you evaluate your handling of your finances in relationship to the message? Explain.

2. Why is humility a requirement for true commitment?

3. Which area of David's character will you work on growing in? How can you do this in a practical way?