

**Liquid Money Sermon Series
Part 4 – The Overflow****Luke 6:38, 2 Corinthians 9:5-15****Series Summary**

Have you ever found yourself spending more than you make? Have you ever bought something with 12 months no interest and no money down only to find out that you couldn't make the payments after-all? Are you one of those people that have to much month at the end of their paycheck? If you answered yes to any of these questions then "Liquid Money" is a series that you will be able to relate to. In this series we will show how you can overcome burden of debt and free your finances up in order to use them more wisely. We will do this by bringing to light God's principles that He is asking each person to implement in their own lives in order to experience complete victory over bondage of debt.

THE BIG IDEA

The BIG IDEA of this sermon is: *The Principle of the Harvest*. This basic principle will guarantee that God will always be involved in your financial picture and it is found in 2 Corinthians 9:6 where it states: Whoever sows sparingly will reap sparingly but whoever sows generously will reap generously. The main objective of the sermon will be to move people to embrace the Harvest Principle in their own lives thus guaranteeing that God will be a part of their financial make-up while they apply this principle. As each person lives out the Principle of the Harvest in their own lives then they will begin to experience what it means to live in the Overflow of God's blessings and provision for their lives. God created us to be and desires for us to be a river not a reservoir!

Four Rules of the Principle of the Harvest**Rule #1 – The Attitude of Your Heart Matters**

- **Exodus 25:2** – Tell the Israelites to bring me an offering. You are to receive the offering for me from each man whose heart prompts him to give.
- **Two Choices – Sparingly vs. Generously**
- **Key Point** – It is important that every Christian understand the simple fact that the attitude of our heart really matters when we give our offering to the Lord. God does not need your money and does not want your money...God wants your heart. There are two basic kinds of giving according to God, sparingly and generously. God does not desire for you to give reluctantly or sparingly but generously and full of joy in your heart.

Rule #2 – Your View of God Matters

- **View #1 – God is a Taker**
- **View #2 – God is a Giver**
- **Key Point** – This key point will help us understand the motivation of our hearts as we give to the Lord. It is of the utmost importance that we remember that God is most concerned about the heart of the believer. The heart that sows the seed sparingly sees God as a Taker while the heart that sows the seed generously sees God as a Giver. How do you see God today? Do you see Him as a demanding God that is draining your life or do you see Him as a generous God that is giving you an abundance in life.

Rule #3 – You Must Sow the Seed to Reap the Harvest

- **Psalm 112:9** – He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor, his righteousness endures forever; his horn will be lifted high in honor.
- **Key Point** – This point brings home the concept that we must sow the seed in order to reap a harvest. God has promised that as you sow generously then you will reap the seed of the harvest. What is the harvest that you will reap? God's love (v. 7), God's ABUNDANT Grace (v. 8), God's Provision from the seed to plant to the food to eat (v.10), and thanksgiving and Praise given will be brought to God due to your generosity (v. 11-12).

Rule #4 – God will bless You so You Can Bless Others

- **Luke 6:38** – Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.
- **Key Point** – God's promise to the generous and faithful giver is simple: He will Provide All Things...At All Times...and All That You Need! God has promised that as you give generously that He will give an overabundance to you. He will not just give you the seed to sow but He will also give you food to eat. In this passage we see that God promises that He will only increase our standard of living so that we will increase our standard of giving.

Question to Consider

- How am I living out the Principle of the Harvest in my own life? What are the signs that I am living this out? How can I take this principle to the next level in my life?

Memory Verse

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BIG Challenge

Find one way to apply the Principle of the Harvest this week. Make or buy some food for a family in need, buy some gas for someone that needs it, pay someone's electric bill, give extra to the church with no strings attached! Then give us your testimony about how God has blessed your life!

Series Challenge

This week make a covenant with God that you will commit everything that you have to Him from your house to your health.