

## Let's Give

Lesson Two

### To Trust Or Not to Trust

#### When It Comes to Giving to the Lord...

It's ultimately a matter of TRUSTING the Lord!

*Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 1Timothy 6:17 NIV*

#### Two Principles for Trusting God in Your Giving:

### 1. When It Seems IMPOSSIBLE to Give, Trust God!

1Kings 17:8-16

#### When We Trust God and Give:

- We possess our POSSESSIONS.
  
- We prepare for the FUTURE.
  
- We place FAITH over sight.
  
- We put GOD to work on our behalf.

### 2. When It Seems ILLOGICAL to Give, Trust God!

2Corinthians 8:1-5

#### Four Lessons From the Macedonian Believers:

- Giving is not about problems but priorities—so give FAITHFULLY.
  
- Giving is not about wealth but willingness—so give GENEROUSLY.
  
- Giving is not about obligation but opportunity—so give JOYFULLY.
  
- Giving is not about legalism but Lordship—so give THANKFULLY.

#### Three Words That Can Transform Your Life:

"GOD IS ABLE!"

*And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." 2Corinthians 9:8-9 NKJV*

#### Let's Give! The Bottom Line:

Are you willing to trust God ENOUGH to give in 2014?

#### COMMUNION:

#### Remembering the Sacrificial Gift of God's Son Jesus Christ

Followers of Jesus Christ are invited to participate in Communion. You may remain seated as the bread and juice are passed out. The bread and juice represent the broken body and shed blood of Jesus when He died on the Cross and reminds us who our Lord is, what He has done for us, is doing for us, and will yet do for us when He returns. Come, Lord Jesus, come!