



The Why Behind the What - Giving

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Lesson:

Why do we do things the way we do while we are gathered together on Sunday mornings? It is the why behind the what - and today we look at why we give back to God during our time of worship.

ICEBREAKER:

What is the strangest gift you've ever received?

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. How much should a person give to the church? Why do you feel that way?
2. Why is giving considered worship?
3. Read Matthew 6:19-24:
 - a. Why is it easier to covet earthly things rather than heavenly things?
 - b. What does Jesus mean when he says "treasures in Heaven?"
4. When you invest in the Kingdom of God what are the returns you receive?
5. Read Philippians 4:14-19.
 - a. What does Paul say about the offering the church has given to him?
 - b. In the lesson, Lane mentioned that perhaps our giving doesn't "smell right" to God because there is no joy in it.
 - i. Read 2 Corinthians 9:7
 - ii. What causes joy in our giving?
 - iii. Why would there be no joy in our giving?
6. What causes fear in our giving?
7. How do we overcome fear in giving to God?