

# Robert Morris The Principles of Multiplication

# **OVERVIEW**

The miracle of multiplication is available to God's people, but before our money or resources can multiply, they must first be blessed by Jesus. Multiplication comes through sharing. God is looking for audacious, courageous givers who trust Him and understand the power of the principles of multiplication.

# CONNECTION

Share your highlights of being a part of this *Blessed Life* group series.

# **QUICK RECAP**

Key Scripture: Luke 9:12–17

# Our money has to be blessed and shared before it can multiply.

God is the multiplier. He multiplied fish and loaves on a couple of Galilean hillsides. God is the master of multiplication; however, before our money can be multiplied, it must first be blessed by Jesus and then given away. It doesn't have the potential to multiply if it's not blessed.

# · Get out of debt.

Stewardship is a key principle in God's kingdom. One of the ways we can demonstrate good stewardship is by getting out of debt. This may look different for each person. Pastor Robert and Debbie feel comfortable having a mortgage debt; however, for other individuals having a mortgage would be onerous. It is important for every individual to hear from God about what getting out of debt looks like for them.

# Don't manipulate.

It is important to trust God in every area of our lives. One of the ways we can demonstrate our trust in God with our finances is by not manipulating God or others. God knows what our needs are even better than we do. We need to trust that God will provide for our needs, and we don't have to manipulate to make provision happen.

#### Give.

We are givers because we have been created in the image of the One who is the greatest giver of all. He gave His only Son Jesus for our salvation. Giving at its best comes from a sincere heart of gratitude. When we give, we are showing through our actions that we trust God to provide for us.

#### **GROUP DISCUSSION**

- 1. As Pastor Robert shared the story of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes, did anything new stand out to you? Share.
- 2. Describe a time when you have seen the principles of multiplication at work in your life?
- 3. What does it mean to have our money blessed by Jesus and shared with others? What would that look like in our lives? Explain.
- 4. Do you feel like God is concerned with our provision and our needs? Why or why not?
- 5. Does giving reflect God's heart? Why or why not, and to what extent?
- 6. What are some practical ways we can be better stewards and givers of our treasure and resources?
- 7. What do you feel the Holy Spirit has been saying to you during the course of this series?

# PERSONAL APPLICATION

Over the last seven weeks, we have been giving of our time, talents, and even weaknesses, and now it's time to celebrate these experiences and share them with one another. Have an open forum were group members can share their experiences from this series. Ask the group members what areas they feel a sense of expectancy for what God wants to do in their lives.

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, thank You for blessing us with salvation through Jesus Christ. Please help us to develop hearts of gratitude and trust in all areas of our lives. We love You! In Jesus' name, Amen.

# Tip Of The Week

**How** can you identify fruit in someone's life?

# 2 Peter 1:5-9

For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or *unfruitful* in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

When you identify fruitfulness in others, you open the door to empowerment in their life!