

“It’s Decision Time”
Living a Generous Life Series
James 1:22-25
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As we conclude this series, there are two reasons why we need to be doers of God’s Word and not hearers only:

Reason 1 To hear the Word of God and not obey it would be foolish. (James 1:22-24)

**Reason 2 Freedom and fulfillment come from my obedience to God’s word.
(2 Corinthians 9:8-10)**

Summary:

“It is not enough to hear the Word; we must do it. Many people have the mistaken idea that hearing a good sermon or Bible study is what makes them grow and get God’s blessing. It is not the hearing but *the doing* that brings the blessing. Too many Christians mark their Bibles, but their Bibles never mark them! If you think you are spiritual because you hear the Word, then you are only kidding yourself.”

Warren W. Wiersbe, *Be Mature*,
Victor Books, Wheaton, IL, 1986, p. 54.

TIME

Potential steps of obedience related to time:

_____ I will prioritize and schedule my time to meet with God regularly. When, where, and how often?

_____ I will give up the following activity so that I can more effectively steward my time for God.

_____ I will steward my time to serve my family by...

_____ As it relates to stewarding my time, God is asking me to...

_____ Stewarding my time for eternal purposes means I will...

TALENTS

Potential steps of obedience related to talents:

_____ A talent God is asking me to steward for His glory and honor is...

_____ God is asking me to steward my gifts and abilities to serve in the following ministry:

_____ God is asking me to steward my gifts and abilities by volunteering in the community with...

_____ God is asking me to use my gifts or abilities to serve my spouse or children by...

_____ As it relates to stewarding my talents, God is asking me to...

TREASURES

Potential steps of obedience related to treasures.

_____ God is asking me to tithe ten percent for at least the next 90 days.

_____ God is asking me to support the following missionary:

_____ God is asking me to give to the following ministry not connected with CBC:

_____ God is asking me to give to the monthly mortgage payment.

_____ God is asking me to give to the parking lot project.

_____ In order to be a godly steward, I need to stop spending money on...

_____ As it relates to stewarding my treasures, God is asking me to...