



A WIDE LENS
TO GIVING

HERE'S US.



OUR RESPONSIBILITY. LOVE GOD...SO WE CAN...



Love One Another



Disciple HIS Kids



Steward HIS Stuff

DISCIPLESHIP + STEWARDSHIP = GENEROSITY

¹⁷ Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in **wealth (NOT INCOME)**, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. ¹⁹ In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

1 Timothy 6:17–19

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Our Starting Formula

Hope in Self + Self Consumption = Uncertainty

Paul's Formula for Timothy (and US):

Hope in God + Generosity = Life that is Truly Life

OUR STORY. WE HAD NARROW LENS

Childhood

- 1 of 7 kids.
Church, School,
Work & Sports
- Crown Ministries

20s to Mid-30s

- Dutiful ('3, 2') Christian
- Jenn & I Trying to
Figure Parenting &
Stewardship

2011

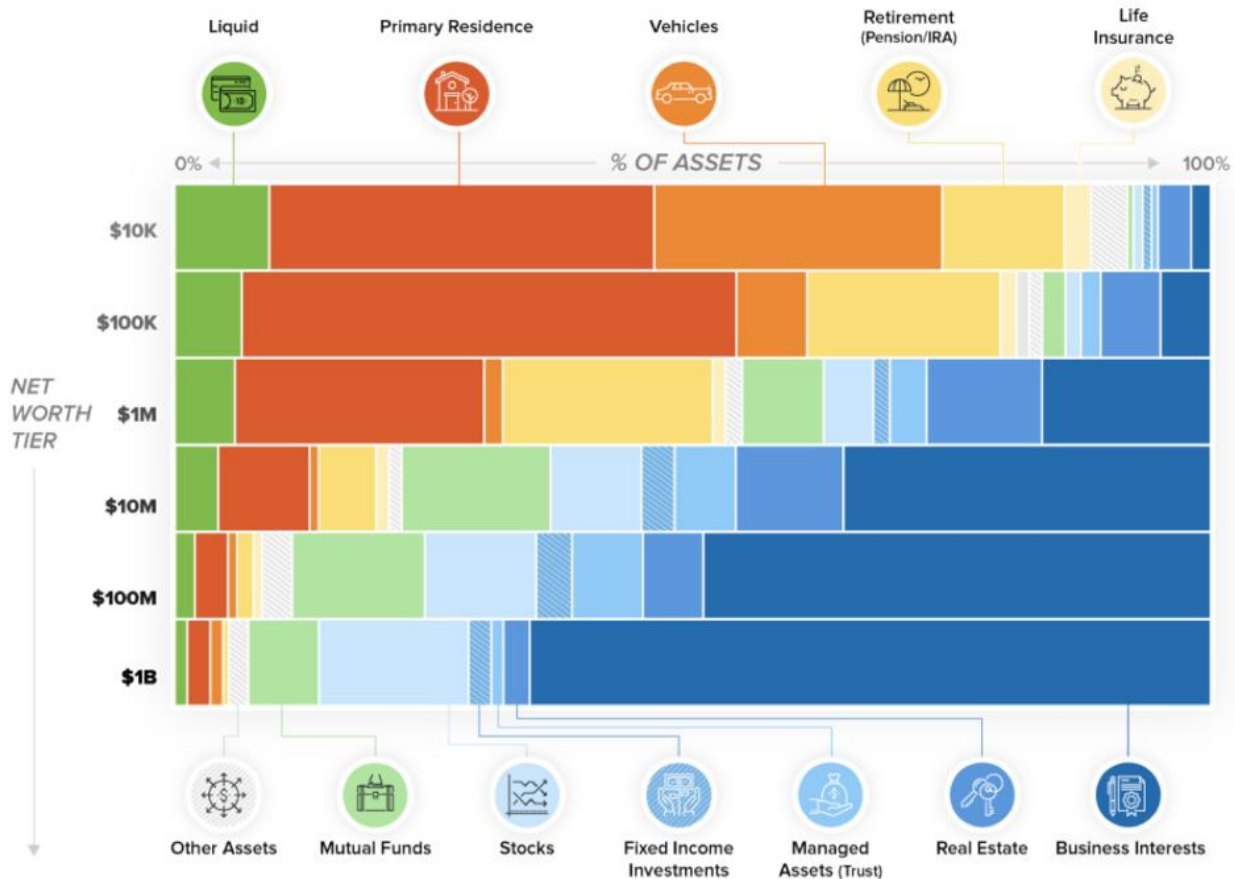
- VaxCare Starts & Failure
- Surrender, Covenant &
Trajectory Changes

OUR SITUATION. TITHING, BUT NOT GENEROUS.

Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)	% of AGI
Under \$50,000	8.40%
\$50,000-\$100,000	4.50%
\$100,000-\$500,000	2.90%
\$500,000-\$2,000,000	3.10%
\$2,000,000-\$10,000,000	4.40%
\$10,000,000 or more	9.30%

Source: IRS Statistics of Income 2020

A WIDER LENS. NEW WAYS TO GIVE.



- **Narrow Lens: “THE GREEN”**
% Of Income, Giving Out Of Cash.
- **Wide Lens: “THE BLUE”**
Giving Out Of Business Interests.



LEARNING #1. FOLLOWING CHRIST DAILY WIDENS OUR LENS ON GENEROSITY.


What is Available to Give.

Where He Desires to Give.

Who He Has Given Us to Help Give.

LEARNING #2. SURRENDERED OR NOT, WEALTH HAS POWER.

God & Satan
know the power
of 'our' wealth.



If surrendered, He can use it to draw us (and OTHERS) nearer TO Him.

If not surrendered, Satan will use it to draw us (and OTHERS) FROM Him.

OUR 'OTHERS'



LEARNING #3. GOD MODELED THE GENEROSITY THAT LEADS TO THE LIFE THAT IS TRULY LIFE.

Father Gave His One & Only Son.

For God so loved the world that **He gave His one and only Son** that whoever believed on Him would not perish but **have eternal life**

[John 3:16](#)

The Son Became Poor, so We Can be Rich.

For you know the **grace/gift** of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though **He was rich**, yet **for your sake he became poor** so that **through his poverty you might become rich.**

[2 Corinthians 8:9](#)

Holy Spirit, God's Love Poured Out.

And hope does not put us to shame, because **God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit**, who has been given to us.

[Romans 5:5](#)