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GOOD MORNING – Bobby Schuller (BS) and Hannah Schuller (HS)

BS: This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Hello.

HS: Welcome visitors and church family. We are so happy to be with you. And today, I declare over you that you will never let fear decide your fate. God is with you, and you are so loved.

BS: We're excited that you're watching on television. We just believe that God has something in store for you right now, and we're going to just trust that whatever it is that you're going through, God has a breakthrough coming. He is an amazing God who is deeply involved in our lives. Let's begin with a word of prayer and fix our hearts on God. And Lord, we say to you we love you and we thank you that you've called us; you've forgiven us; you've lifted us up, that the best is yet to come. Lord, thank you for all you're doing in our lives, and help us, God, to understand that whether we have a lot or a little, it's all yours. Lord, you provide everything we need, and we trust in you, it's in Jesus' name we pray, amen.

HS: Amen. Turn around and shake the hand of the person next to you and say God loves you and so do I.

SCRIPTURE – Luke 12:13-21 – Hannah Schuller

HS: In preparation for the message, Luke 12:13:

Someone in the crowd said to Him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?" Then He said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

And He told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops,' "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I'll say to myself, 'You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.' " "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then you will get what you have prepared.. then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

Church family, when we give to others, we get to move from insatiability to abundance. Amen.

INTERVIEW – BARRY ZITO

(VIDEO ROLL IN – Barry Zito is a former pitcher who played for the Oakland Athletics and San Francisco Giants. He's a Cy Young Award winner, a gifted musician, and now author. His new book "Curveball" highlights his life story and how fame and fortune could not fulfill him the way that Jesus ultimately could. Please welcome, Barry Zito!)

BS: Barry, hi!

BZ: How are you?

BS: Great. It's such a joy and an honor for me to meet you. I'm a big baseball fan. You got a lot of baseball fans in the church today. I know you've played for Oakland and San Francisco, and we have a lot of Angels and Dodgers fans here so I hope you make it out alive. I think you will.

BZ: Dodgers' fans, I'm sorry. We dealt with that, too, don't worry.

BS: That's great. Well man, we're just so excited to have you here. World Series champion, Cy Young winner, accomplished musician. You've really done a lot with your life. But the thing we want to hear about the most is who your life belongs to. It belongs to Jesus Christ.

BZ: It does.

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BS: Tell us about that. You've had this amazing career, incredible success, wealth, fame, and yet it wasn't enough for you.

BZ: It wasn't, yes. I think foundationally I didn't really have anything that was more important than baseball growing up. Of course we know there's a lot of parents out there, including me that really want my kids to work hard and do that. But for me, the message I got from my parents was baseball was it. I didn't have a foundation of really a higher power of God that was more important than what I do here in the world. I started to define myself by my performance on the field. So when I would win, I thought I was a good person; when I would lose, I literally wouldn't leave the house. And this was as an adult. I took it that seriously. And so eventually I got the news after a lot of struggle and pain that in these four years of this contract with the Giants that I was getting paid all this money, I got the bad news from my manager that I couldn't be on this playoff roster. I sat in the dugout and I watched them win the 2010 World Series without me, and I was actually hired to lead them there. That just destroyed this kind of idea that it was all about me and my strength alone is going to get me where I need to go. And so, I was always going to Barnes and Noble looking at the self-help section, and had probably every book in there for years, and my wife came up to me, my now wife, and said 'hey, you got to check this book out. It's just one book, but I need you to lock your books up.' And she handed me a Bible and that kind of planted the seed for me.

BS: It's THE book.

BZ: THE book. The best-seller of all time.

BS: ..it's the best-selling.. it actually is by far the best-selling book of all time. And it is amazing how someone can go through their whole life, I mean that's one reason we love the Bible here, it's just like people just think it's going to be boring, and a big part of what we're trying to do is show people this is exciting. These are the words of life, the very words of God.

BZ: Yes. I think we don't realize how really lucky we are to be able to read the word of God. I mean years and years ago that wasn't available to people. So for me to really understand, I had prayed to a force my whole life. I was raised in a New Age church, and words like sin..

BS: Is that what you called it? The force like Star Wars?

BZ: ..it was literally the force, yes. And what we think and what comes out of our mouth, as we know from the Bible, is very important, but I was taught that I was almost my own god; that my will alone was going to determine my life. And so I never deferred to anything higher. And so once my wife handed me this Bible, and I was ready to hear the idea that there's a plan for my life, and it actually is not all about what I want, it's what He wants, that was like life-changing and I've never been the same.

BS: That's awesome. Is that why you call your book *Curve*.. so curveball was your big pitch. I mean you had an amazing curveball, and you still do, I'm sure. But is that why you called your book *Curveball*?

BZ: So the *Curveball* came from, you know, I got thrown a curveball thinking that these successes and this money and the fame and all the things that came in life was going to fulfill me and complete me and give me that thing I needed most. So I was running around the streets of Hollywood chasing the fastest cars. I owned these big houses and cars and trying to chase women and doing all these things that I thought this is what I'm supposed to do; this is what's going to make me happy, right? And eventually I realized that actually is never going to work, because if it did, it would have happened. And peace in my heart and contentment that Jesus loves me regardless of how screwed up I am. What a concept. I mean, amazing.

BS: And what do you hope people get when they read your book. I mean it's a tearjerker. It's a dramatic book. I mean it really sucks you in. What do you hope that people really leave with after they read your book?

BZ: You know, I think that we all share the same struggles and pain in life, really. We always think that the next thing we're going for is going to complete us or make us happy. Once I get here, and it's like there's always that next thing. So maybe it's actually not where we're looking. If we can align with God's will, in my opinion, that's what happened for me, and the peace and contentment comes and then everything else is just icing at that point.

BS: That's awesome. Barry, thank you so much, and it's such a great word in today's day with the age of Instagram and everything else, where people are more than ever showing off luxuries and traveling and great meals, and sometimes when you're not doing well, it can feel like I wish I had that life. And you are someone to just say look the greatest life you're going to find is in Jesus Christ. It's an awesome message.

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The book is called *Curveball*. Christmas is actually not too far away, so if you are thinking of getting a gift, especially for somebody who likes baseball, or really anyone who is kind of just seeking and maybe believes in a higher power or something like that, but you really want them to understand that the value of following Christ, I want to recommend you get this book.

Wow, Barry Zito, this is really exciting for me and for us. We're so grateful to have you here sharing this story with us. Thank you.

BZ: Thank you so much for having me.

BS: God bless you. Thanks.

DECLARATION – Bobby Schuller

Friends, will you hold your hands out like this as a way of receiving from the Lord? Let's say this together: I'm not what I do. I'm not what I have. I'm not what people say about me. I am the beloved of God. It's who I am. No one can take it from me. I don't have to worry, I don't have to hurry, I can trust my friend Jesus and share His love with the world. Amen!

MESSAGE/PRAYER – Bobby Schuller "Rich Toward God"

I want to tell you a story. Years ago, Hannah and I were attending this great church in Tulsa by a pastor named Eastman Curtis, who was really a great pastor for the season that we were in. But most of his life, he wasn't a pastor, he was actually an itinerant minister. And as a young man and a young father, he and his wife would travel the country in their car, and they would preach at churches.

Now we're Presbyterian and we're probably unfamiliar with this style of thing, but if you're from the South or you're Baptist or Pentecostal, maybe, you might be familiar with how itinerant preachers are paid and how they sort of eat and get along. And the way they do it is they would preach typically at a small Southern church. You'd have your normal tithes and offerings for the church, but after the sermon, the senior pastor would get up for the evangelist or the preacher, whatever, and would take what's called a love offering. And that love offering was almost a vote of support for this itinerant preacher. It was like a way of saying how much you liked him. And always that love offering, the total amount in almost every case, would be given to the preacher and then usually the church would add a little extra to say thank you.

So Eastman and his wife, they had just had a baby, and they preached at this fairly large church, and it went really well. Everyone was super excited. And afterwards same thing, senior pastor takes a love offering, and this huge amount of money comes in. I mean there was just an outpouring of love for Eastman and his family, and at the end of the service, everybody went home and the senior pastor came to our pastor, Eastman, and said 'the amount of money that came in was just too much. We have too many needs. We can't give you this money but here's a hundred dollars. It'll give you enough gas to get to your next town.'

And he and his wife, they were heartbroken that they would be effectively betrayed, cheated, that the money would be stolen. Almost definitely the church would not be told that the money had been taken. And as they literally were sitting there brokenhearted, I think even crying, they made a decision in their heart that money is not his, and it's not ours. It's God's money. And they said we're going to view this differently. Instead of being victims in this moment, even though we were victimized, we are going to see that money as seed, and we're going to believe that that money going into that church will be like seed we're planting, not just into that church, but into God's kingdom. And we're going to believe that God will do something great with it.

For me as a 19-year-old young man, hearing that story, I was deeply touched that someone who; I'm half Irish. Is that enough to say? Oh man, there would have been bloody knuckles and screaming. So to think about resources and money that way was a good thing to learn from my pastor, and this is a phrase he used a lot. I don't know if it was original to him, but it's one that will change your life if you can see your money, whether you're rich or poor, if you can see your money this way, it will change your life: my money is not mine, it's God's. I am not an owner, I am a manager.

Just like good managers and bad managers, God will give a certain amount for certain people to manage. Just because you don't have a lot, doesn't mean you're a fool or unwise, but I do think over time God does entrust His resources to people with wisdom and to people who are generous. We've sure talked a lot about wisdom, but today we're going to talk about the wisdom that is found in generosity.

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Now typically if you haven't grown up in church, and you get to a church, if there is a discussion about giving, or about the management of resources, the word that is typically used is this word called "stewardship." Stewardship means the management of God's resources. We are managers, not owners. Can I get an amen? Let's see how loud this is. Yes, I don't know. I don't know. Let me see if I can convince you.

The first thing: let me appeal to the selfish side of all of us that's there. I know this message has been overplayed, okay? But we cannot throw the baby out with the bathwater. God blesses generous people. It's in the Bible. Its either true or it's not true. And if you go to Whole Foods for lunch after church today, I might see you there, I don't know, and you find the crunchiest, hippiest person around, and you go up to them and you listen to what they're saying, you might hear them say something like: 'you know what bro? Bro. Bro. Whatever you put into the universe, you're going to get back, bro.' And though this isn't always true, I love that society is beginning to say and notice things like this because I do think that is true, in part. That when we are generous, what we give away, we get back very often, and more, when we serve God and trust Him with faith.

In other words, the more resources you commit to God, the more resources God will commit to you. I believe that. I believe it with all my heart. And I believe, no matter how rich you are, how poor you are, whether you're in abundance or whether you're struggling, give! Give! Give to people in need. Give to the poor. Give to young people. Give to students who can't afford a meal! Give to people who are struggling. Give to your church! Give to ministries! And watch as just all of heaven opens up and God begins to bless you in ways, not just financially, but so many ways that He begins to bless you because you're becoming a generous person.

When we experience financial abundance in life, as disciples and followers of Jesus Christ, the first thing we should think to our self is not oh, all the nice things I'm going to get, and it's great to have nice things; there's nothing wrong with it, but we should think who can I help with this? And I just believe that's the kind of heart that God wants to build into all of us. Just a deep love of our neighbor, and reflecting that love through generosity. Give, give, give. You won't regret it.

This is in the end what really matters. We all know the axiom – you can't take it with you. That it's not what you make in life, it's what you give away. And in life we really struggle with this. And there's this great story in fact, I want to tell you two stories today. One is this very dark parable that Jesus tells about the barn, and the second is the rich young ruler.

Okay so the first: Jesus has this grand following of people with Him, thousands of people, and He's an Orthodox Jewish rabbi. He begins teaching and preaching, and all of a sudden, these two brothers come up and they've been fighting and arguing. And one of them says to Jesus, he says "Lord, tell my brother to share our father's inheritance with me." Or tell him to give me the rightful amount that he owes me, something like that.

Have you, by the way, ever seen the children of a well-to-do or wealthy person after he or she has passed, fighting over inheritance? It's a very sad thing to see. You think about your mother or your father, one of the most important people in your life, someone who raised you, fed you, cared for you, loved you, and within a week of their passing, you're arguing with your sibling about who gets more. There's a lot to that, and that's not to judge anyone, it's just to simply say that very often we get caught up in the things that don't truly matter in life. There was a musician who died about ten years ago, and I read in the newspaper that as he was dying, on the day he died, his family members standing around his hospital bed were arguing over how much each was going to get after he died. This is, I think, what Jesus sees when these two guys are fighting with each other. And He looks at them and He snaps and rebukes them and says "who made me the judge of you?" And He actually says "watch out." And He looks at everybody and He says, "Watch out for greed." And He says "because life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

Now I'm sure you're not surprised to hear that in church. And people will say that all the time. But it sure does seem like our culture thinks that life exists in an abundance of possessions. But if you ask somebody who has an abundance of possessions if they have life because of those possessions, most of them will tell you no. They have life because of something else, or they don't have life at all.

Jesus tells this story then and He says there once was a man who had this great harvest, and they pulled in all of this grain, and it was too much for his barns to fill, so he built a bigger barn and filled it to the top with grain and said to himself now I will eat, drink and be merry for the rest of my life – I can relax. And God said unto the man, you fool – this day you will die! And it was all taken from him.

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When I read this story, I began to think if I were Jesus and I wanted to give a version too, very often rabbis will tell two stories. Two men had an abundance and two men had barns, and the first man did this, and the second man did that. I think if I were trying to guess how Jesus would tell that sermon, He would say but the second man had an abundant harvest, and he built a great barn, and he filled it to the top and he invited the poor and the widows and the hungry to come and have a banquet with him and celebrate, and he gave. I just believe giving is the only thing that is the difference between abundance and greed. It's the only difference.

Can I tell you – being a pastor, a lot of people, a lot of poor people, a lot of rich people, there are rich people who give, and there are rich people who never give. There are poor people who give all the time, and there are poor people who never give. And the rich people and the poor people who give are more like each other than the rich people and the rich people and the poor people and the poor people. Because almost in every case people who give are joyful people. You're a joyful person when you give and you give out of abundance, when you give out of lack, no matter how you're giving, God will bless you. And even seen, actually we've worked a lot with the homeless, and homeless people are generous. It is such a wonderful thing to see, especially when you're feeling stingy, and you don't know if you should share. I remember seeing a video once of a homeless man, and they sort of had a hidden camera, and a guy gave him a hundred dollars, and then secretly filmed what he would do with that money. A lot of people think, oh he went and bought drugs and alcohol, but he didn't. He went to a grocery store, he bought a bunch of food, and then he went down a place where there were a bunch of other homeless people, and he shared the food with them.

Now it's not always the case, but I can tell you with the time that we have spent personally getting to know our homeless neighbors, in many cases they're very, very generous and that in so doing, they are inheriting the kingdom of God. So maybe you're here today and something great just happened in your life, or you have some big thing that happened and I want you to enjoy luxuries. I want you to have good things, but I want you to think about the needs of your neighbor, your church, your charities. If you have a couple that's next door that has little kids, maybe buy them dinner and a movie. Or if you're having dinner or lunch and you have a server that seems like a single mom or a student, maybe give her a hundred dollar tip and write on the ticket "God loves you and so do I." Watch what God can do when you become a more generous person with the little that you have or the lot that you have. You just see that God will pour out abundant blessing in your life.

And in fact, it is generosity that is the only thing that draws the difference between abundance and greed! Abundance becomes greed the day you stop giving. Greed becomes abundance the day you start giving. And I'm so thankful to be in a church full of generous people, not only people who support this church, but people who support each other. The more generous you are, no matter how poor or rich you are, the more life you will have, and the more joy you will have. Listen to the Lord and ask Him to give you wisdom and to give you a generous heart. Now don't be foolish, right? You're still a manager. It's still not your money, it's God's money, right? What makes a great manager of a household? Is it someone who just foolishly throws it all away? Is it someone who never gives at all? No, there is wisdom always in what makes a good manager, so be wise.

Okay, the second story I want to tell you about is a more famous story about the rich young ruler. Now before we do rich young ruler, we're going to do a quick review of the Ten Commandments. I know everyone in this room and everybody watching on TV has the Ten Commandments memorized in order from beginning to end, but just in case you don't, I have included them in the slide behind me.

Now before we read these commandments, and just look over them briefly, we have to understand that in Jesus' day, anyone, anyone could name these word for word from beginning to end, not just the easy way that we have it here, but actually the way its listed in Exodus from beginning to end with all of its context. Every single five-year-old or older knew the Ten Commandments and the Shema. Every kid that was 12 or older had the whole Torah memorized, and probably Psalms and Proverbs.

So when Jesus is talking to this young man, he's about to cite the Ten Commandments, everyone in that group has the Ten Commandments memorized. We got it? Here they are, it's a quick review. Jesus is teaching and a very good man that everyone admires who is young and wealthy comes to the Lord. We don't know how he got his wealth, perhaps he inherited it, perhaps he was like a Silicon Valley tycoon who sold his website or created some tech thing. For whatever reason, he was shrewd, he was wealthy, he was well-to-do, but he was also a godly man. And he comes before Jesus and he asks this question: 'good teacher, how do I inherit eternal life?'

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You hear the yearning there? I've got everything in the world. I've got all I could want. Reminds me of Barry Zito's story. I've got everything I could want in life and something is missing! What do I need? And here is what Jesus says. Can we show the Ten Commandment slide? Here are the ones that he doesn't say. So he says, everybody's listening, he says honor your father and mother, you shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, and you shall not bear false witness. Those are the five that he says. Now this is a classic rabbinic means of teaching where you say part of a scripture and you leave another part out. It's a genius way of teaching, and everybody goes oh, I get it. I get what you're saying. Because look at what he's leaving out: I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not take the Lord's name in vain. Remember the Sabbath and you shall not covet. Those are the ones he doesn't say. So everybody goes ooooo. Very bold. But notice this young man in all of his passion for God, his deep desire to get something, just something from Jesus, how do I have true life? How do I have, it Lord? I've got everything but something is missing.

Jesus says this: the five, but not the ten. Everybody goes ooooo. And instead of the man getting it, he looks and he says I've done all that! I've done it since I was a kid! Then there was an even longer pause. And there's something else I want you to know the context. You've heard this before but in Jesus' day, the greatest honor is to be called to follow a rabbi. It was usually done with young men, and in those days if you were asked to follow a rabbi, it'd be like the greatest thing that could ever happen to a person. And it says when this young man said this, it was almost like Jesus could see his heart for God. And He looks at him and He says: one thing you lack. Sell everything you have, and give it to the poor and to those who are in need, then come and follow me. In other words, He's offered this man to be one of the 12 disciples. Did you catch that? This is the one person in the whole gospels that's invited to become one of the 12 disciples and says no. I'll take the money instead. I think in his heart he knew. And in fact, if this man had said yes and had given his money away and had followed Christ, we would know his name. There'd be churches all around the world named after him. There might be a gospel named after him or a letter named after him. And by the way, he still might have been wealthy. John Mark was wealthy. There were other disciples among them who were wealthy. Why did he ask this man to sell everything and give it to the poor? Because in Judaism you don't get rid of some of your idols, you get rid of all of them. And I believe that if this man had decided to sell everything and give it to the poor, if he had taken that leap of faith in obedience to Jesus, this is not true of everybody, but if this man had done that, I think God would have given him even more back in abundance and in many other ways. I just believe that. God loves generosity.

And He asks this man to be generous, but instead it says that the man turned and walked away sadly because he had great wealth. And Jesus was actually, it seems like He's surprised. He looks at the young man walking away, and He says "surely it's easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a wealthy person to enter the kingdom of God. You know what everybody's response is? Then Lord, who can be saved?! Because you have great men and women of God who are wealthy, you have those amidst them that are wealthy. And Jesus says "all things are possible." Did you catch that, by the way? One of the most quoted Bible verses in the Bible, all things are possible is in reference to the idea that wealthy people can go to heaven.

But the reason they say who can be saved is because many among them viewed themselves as, in some way, wealthy. Well Jesus gives us the answer. The answer is not about having or being poor or having a lot, the answer is it's how you view your resources. And He goes on and He says seek first, right? He says don't worry about all these things, don't worry about what you'll wear or what you have, but seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and what? Everybody say all these things: all these things.

Look, it's not that God doesn't want you to have all these things. It's about first things first, second things second. It's about being a generous person. It's about recognizing that when your church is in need, you help it. When you're neighbors in need, you help them. You do it with wisdom, but that you look at the abundance you've been given as a manager, not an owner. And many of you do that and I am so thankful for you, and I bet if I got any of you up on this stage and I gave you a mic, you would testify to the fact that in your abundance, or in your lack, you've never regretted being a generous person and loving your neighbor with your resources. Can I get an amen? That's it, man. Many of us here, we say when I get rich, Bobby, that's when I'm going to give. When I get wealthy, that's when I'm going to give. And by the way, studies show that's just not true.

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It's just not how people are. People who are generous when they're poor are generous when they're wealthy. People who are stingy when they're poor, are stingy when they're wealthy. It's almost always true. Maybe you're here and you think I'm not rich, Bobby. I'm not the one percent. Look, there are plenty of things on Wall Street that need to be fixed and I understand a lot of the anger with the occupy Wall Street movement that happened a while back, but I found it funny how many people when they talked about one percent, they were like but only Americans. Not everybody else. Credit Swiss just released a study that if you take the whole global market and you narrowed it to the top one percent of income earners, it's those making \$32,400 a year. If you make more than \$32,400 a year, you are the one percent. I'm just saying. Is it getting hot in here? It's getting hot in here.

And this is what missionary trips and humanitarian trips helped me realize as a young man. When you go to Nepal and you know that the average income, a white collar person there is making \$12 a month and you're flipping \$20 bills to buy lunch, you look to them the way Wall Street types look to you.

All this to say you should join with the apostles and say well then Lord, who might be saved? And He will look right at you and He'll say you. You know there are plenty of wealthy people in the midst of Jesus, I think this is the only one that Jesus tells to sell everything and give it to the poor. But there are others, too. In other words, it's okay to manage a lot. Just be a manager, not an owner. It's okay to have a lot and to be wealthy, but use it to the best of your ability and with the wisdom that you have to bless charities, your church, your neighbor, poor people and those who are in need.

Just some examples. Zaccheus was a wealthy guy who got his money and Jesus didn't tell him to sell everything. And John Mark was wealthy. His mother was wealthy. In fact John Mark's mother's house was a palace, where the church, it became their headquarters in Jerusalem. I think I mentioned that last week. There was a woman named Susanna who was wealthy that supported Jesus' ministry. But the wealthiest among them was Joanna the wife of Chuza, this is great. So Chuza historically was the manager of Herod's estate and his job, I don't know how to say this, his job was to peddle their version of Viagra. I'm not joking. There was a plant that was used to do the same thing that Viagra does. Chuza sold the stuff; he sold it exclusively to people as like an ointment that they could use for that. And that's how Chuza and his wife became incredibly wealthy, and it was that money that was used to support the bulk of Jesus' traveling food and everything else He did. Tell me God doesn't have a sense of humor. That's amazing! And at no point did Jesus judge her or tell her to sell all of her Viagra and give it to the poor or anything like that.

Every person's heart is different. Everybody's in a different place. But what the Lord wants to see in all of us, whether we're rich or poor, is a desire to help, to love, and to be generous, to be giving people not because He needs the money, but because we need to be letting go of our need for all this stuff. You think it will save you? Man, all it takes is one lawsuit, one health problem, one bad business decision, and it's all gone. You can't put your faith in something like that. And all of us are going to face the reaper, right? All of us will die. And none of this will come with us. So what then? And the answer is we live to give. We live to give, as managers to support, to help, and to see the kingdom of God flourish. And by the way, that'll be the happiest life you could ever live.

I want to encourage you no matter where you are, whether you're struggling or whether you're doing great, give to your neighbor and give to people that are in need, and watch as God pours out incredible abundance in your life.

Lord, we thank you and we trust you with our resources. Lord, we know that at the end, I actually just believe that many here are going to be challenged this week to give. They're going to feel it on their heart, maybe someone in their life is going to be in need, and I'm going to ask, Lord, that you give us the courage to hold things loosely and to give to people who are in need; to give to our neighbor. Lord, we love you so much, and we thank you that are the most generous person in the universe. You so loved the world that you gave us your only Son and it's in His name we pray, amen.

BENEDICTION – Bobby Schuller

Thank you for coming today, guys. You are so loved. You're doing better than you think and God is on your side.

And now the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you His peace in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, amen.