THE GOOD LIFE—PART 2
"THE SPIRIT OF MAMMON!"
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Matthew 6:24 (NKJV)—"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."

What is Mammon?
Aramaic term = Money/Material Wealth

I Timothy 6:10—"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs."

Mammon is a Demonic Spirit & "False God"

Ephesians 6:12—"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

Definition: Mammon Is A "False God" That Promises
Root Word in **Aramaic = "That in Which One Trusts"**

How To Break The Spirit Of Mammon:

1) **Focus On Giving Not Receiving**

Acts 20:35—"…'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

II Corinthians 9:7—"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Luke 6:38—"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

2) Be A Good Steward

Psalm 24:1—"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it."

Deuteronomy 8:17-18—"You may say to yourself, 'My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.' But remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you the ability to produce wealth..."

3) Have A Plan

Luke 14:28 (NLT)—"But don't begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it?"

4) Be Content

Luke 12:15—"…'Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.'"

Philippians 4:12—"I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want."

The Big Idea:
Generosity is "Kryptonite" To The Power of Mammon In Your Life

Malachi 3:10—"'Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,' says the Lord Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.'"

Who Are You Serving? Who Are You Trusting?

How Will You Respond?