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**3Jn 1:2 Beloved, in regard to
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as your soul prospers.**

Poverty Theology. We should have a disdain for possessions. Some who hold this position would say that it's wrong to have excess money and things.

Prosperity Theology. Financial prosperity is the primary reward of righteousness. If God is happy with you, He will bless you financially. If He's not pleased with you, you won't have many possessions.

Stewardship Theology. Our possessions are a trust given by God that we are responsible to manage. Everything belongs to Him and we are to serve as stewards whether we are blessed with a lot or with a little.

NO to Poverty Theology

Deut 15v4 There should be no poor among you, for in the land the lord is giving you to possess as an inheritance he will richly bless you

Act 4:34 There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold

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2 Co 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

NO to Prosperity Theology

Mat 6:19-21 Do not lay up treasures on earth for yourselves, where moth and rust corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up treasures in Heaven for yourselves, where neither moth nor rust corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Durability Test and the Heart Test

NO to Prosperity Theology

1Ti 6:8-10 But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

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Jer 9:23 Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD."

Stewardship Theology

It's all mine

Tithe belongs to God, and the rest is mine

It all belongs to God...the tithe / the rest of it.

First - I share with God when I want to

Second - I share with God because I have to

Third - It's all Gods and He shares with me!

***“”as a man thinketh in his heart , so is he “
prov 23v7***

To whom should our giving go? Primarily to local church

Also family : natural and spiritual, poor and the Gospel

Act 4:34 There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.