CONNECTING AND REFLECTING EXPERIENCE

Next Week: May 1, 2016 Title: "Come or Go?" Text: Acts 15-17:

In a Nutshell: "The western civilization and the industrial revolution got us use to going to "the professionals" for specialized treatment. We did this in the church. While Jesus said "Go" to the nations and introduce them to Jesus, we have gotten use to saying "come to church" where you will hear about Jesus. Actually, Acts has some of both!

This week's readings:

Apr.18-24, Acts 12-14

Next week's readings:

Apr.25 – May 1, Acts 15-17

Parent; with your Children...

This month decide on a course of devotional study. A) Use the Sermon CARE Sheets each week (dougdelp.me) B) \$.M.A.R.T. 30 Contrasting Views on Money C) "Stewardship" study D) Print off the Scripture card and memorize those verses E) Read Proverbs and highlight \$ verses

Prayer Requests

Our Purpose:

To help families apply the truth of God's Word in everyday life and build closer relationships within our church.

Our Passage:

"But God has [so] composed the body... [that] the members should have the same care for one another."

1 Cor. 12:24-25 (NAS)

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SMALL PIECES | BIG PICTURE

April 24, 2016 | "\$.M.A.R.T. Giving"

Texts: Acts 6:1-5 (1 Corinthians 16:1-4); Mark 12:41-44 (Phil. 4:17); 2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Jeremiah 2:13 (Revelation 3:17-18)

IN A NUTSHELL: Giving to the church tends to be rooted in selfish motives taught by the world or godly motives taught in Scripture. There is a clear difference between charity and bringing your offerings to the Lord.

ICE BREAKER: When is the last time you felt "hilarious" about your giving?

HIS WORD (3 Questions)

- 1. What are your motives for giving to family, friends in need, the church, a political party, an organization?
- 2. What are the characteristics of ministries worthy of your generosity?
- 3. What can you do to help grow your discipline/gift of giving?

YOUR WORLD

- 1. It's the heart/faith of the giver, not the size of the gift that unleashes God's blessing.
- 2. For some giving isa discipline and for others it is a gift. For both, it grows when practiced and dies when ignored.
- 3. When the heart of the giver is right then faith hope and love grows for many.

SMALL PIECES (3 Principles)

1. What can you and your family do to begin a new level of living grateful in your giving?

BIG PICTURE

1. If T.L.C.C. had an additional \$147,000 a year for ministry how would you recommend it be spent?

