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IN TEACHING NOTES



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As we see in the parable that Jesus told, the farmers who were allowed to use the vineyard and prosper were expected to give a portion back to the landowner. A lot of us understand this concept as it relates to God who allows us to live and prosper. Most of us have good intentions of being responsible to give back to the One who gives us life, but statistically in our culture, the vast majority of us don't follow through. For many, it's just poor planning. At the end of the harvest, we're so far in debt, we sell all the produce to pay bills. At the end of the day or the week, we have no energy left to volunteer to help others. Another month goes by and we have spent very little of our borrowed time or energy for God's good work. When Christmas comes and the end of the year, we look back and realize we have completely spent another year's income with barely enough for Christmas gifts and very little given to God's work. Many of us would learn a lot by measuring how we are spending our time, energy and money. So let's measure.

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