

The background is an abstract composition of layered, semi-transparent shapes in various colors including teal, orange, pink, and light blue. Overlaid on these are several dotted lines in white and light blue, some forming a path that leads towards the left side of the frame. The overall style is modern and artistic.

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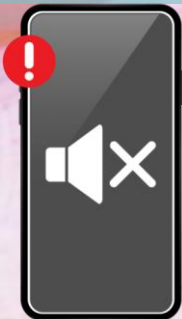
“The right thing done for
the wrong reason is still
the wrong thing.”

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Please turn to

MATTHEW CHAPTER 6:1-18

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in the Bible under your seat)



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but feel free to check in at Grace and
post all the good stuff on social media!**

MATTHEW 6:1-18

1 Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

2 “Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

3 But when you give to the needy,
do not let your left hand know
what your right hand is doing,
4 so that your giving may be
in secret. And your Father who
sees in secret will reward you.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

5 “And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

6 But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

7 “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. **8** Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

- 9** Pray then like this: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
- 10** Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
- 11** Give us this day our daily bread,
- 12** and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

14 For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, **15** but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

16 “And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

MATTHEW 6:1-18

17 But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face,
18 that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.



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THE HEART MATTERS!

MATTHEW 6:1a

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Beware of practicing your
righteousness before other people...



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“When an act of mercy
become an act of vanity,
it is no longer for the
good of anyone.”

John Stott

JOHN 5:44b

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you receive glory from one
another and do not seek the glory
that comes from the only God...

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THE HEART MATTERS!

“When you give...” (verse 2)

“When you pray...” (verse 5)

“When you fast...” (verse 16)

The background features a complex, layered design. It includes several overlapping, wavy, organic shapes in shades of teal, blue, and light green. Interspersed among these shapes are dotted lines that form a network of paths across the upper portion of the image. The overall aesthetic is modern and artistic.

GIVE...



GIVE, AND PRAY...

MATTHEW 6:5-6

5 “And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.

MATTHEW 6:5-6

6 But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

PSALM 27:8

You have said, “Seek my face.”
My heart says to you,
“Your face, Lord, do I seek.”

MATTHEW 6:6a

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...go into **your room**
and shut the door and pray

ROOM

/ rōom/ (*room*)

from Greek *tameion* (ταμείον)

storeroom where the
treasures would be kept

MATTHEW 6:9a

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“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.”

MATTHEW 6:10

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Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

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I surrender to Your will.
Where You tell me to go,
I will go. What You tell me
to give, I will. Who You tell
me to serve, I will serve.

MATTHEW 6:11

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Give us this day our daily bread...

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Give us this day our **daily bread...**

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MATTHEW 6:12

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and forgive us our debts, as we
also have forgiven our debtors.

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MATTHEW 6:13

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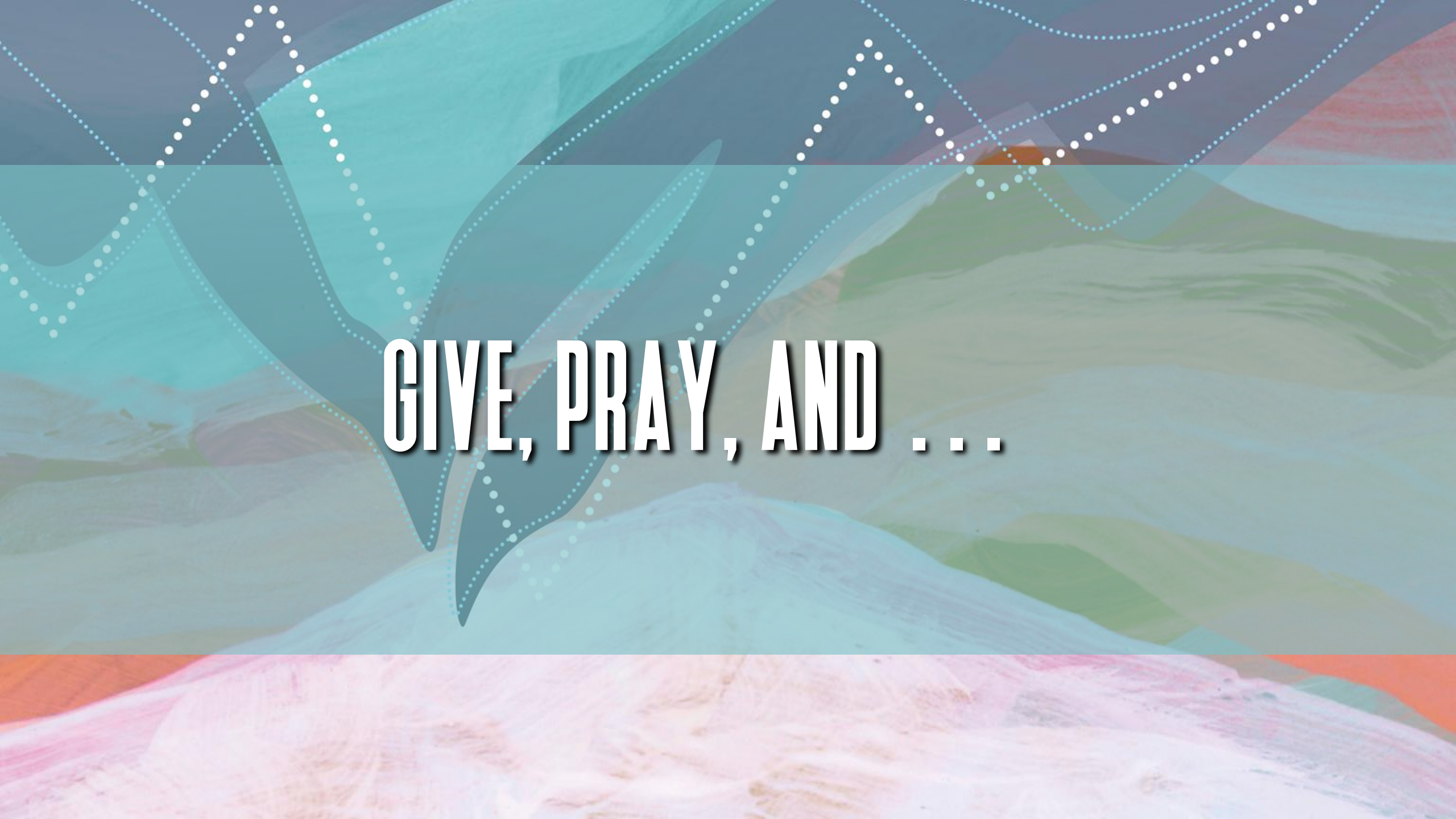
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GIVE, PRAY, AND . . .



GIVE, PRAY, AND FAST.

REASONS TO FAST:

- It is an intentional way to seek God's presence.

REASONS TO FAST:

- It is an intentional way to seek God's presence.
- It is an intentional way to seek God's counsel.

REASONS TO FAST:

- It is an intentional way to seek God's presence.
- It is an intentional way to seek God's counsel.
- It is an intentional way to seek God's movement.



**WHO YOU ARE WHEN YOU ARE
FASTING IS WHO YOU REALLY ARE.**

When you give...

When you pray...

When you fast...



THE HEART MATTERS!