

Acts 4:32-5:11

- I. A Study in Contrasts
  - A. The generosity of the church
  - B. Son of Encouragement (Jn. 14:16,26; 15:26; 16:7; Acts 9:31; Mt. 27:57-59)
  - C. On the other hand ... (Deut. 21:23)
  
- II. Sharing Goods in the Early Church
  - A. Extensive
  - B. Voluntary (Acts 5:42; Mt. 19:21-26)
  - C. Limited-term (Mt. 25:41-46)
  - D. Supervised by apostles (Acts 6:1)
  - E. Use of possessions reveals the heart
  
- III. Savior and Judge
  - A. Jesus is both (Heb. 12:1; Rev. 11:18; Gen. 4:7)
  - B. Authority to judge (Mt. 16:19; (Jn. 20:23)
  - C. The family that lies together dies together
  
- IV. What to Take Away from All of This
  - A. It is noble, good, and pleasing to Christ to help the poor (Ezek. 16:49)
  - B. It is deadly folly to attempt to fool God