NEW MEANING Hu\$h Money - *Part 4*

- **ON TV:** Have you ever thought what your **money might say to you** if your money could actually talk?
- **ON TV:** "I can add meaning to your life, but I'm not the meaning of life."
- **ON TV:** To **what ends** do we want our lives to be a means?
- **ON TV:** "The moment you think you own me; I actually own you."

ON TV: We are **managers** and not owners and because of that money managers don't feel guilty. Instead, money managers feel **responsible** and **accountable** for **all** of it.

- **ON TV:** "My direction reveal your affection."
- **ON TV: GIVE, SAVE, LIVE**
- **ON TV:** The chief competitor for our devotion to God is money.
- ON TV: This series is not about "do" something. This series is about how to "be" something.
- **ON TV:** Generosity is the **planned**, **calculated**, **designated**, **freeing** of our money.
- **ON TV: GIVE, SAVE, LIVE**
- **ON TV:** When we are generous, we will be **happier**.

ON TV/**OUTLINE**: "...It is more *blessed* to give than receive." Acts 20:35b

- **ON TV:** The word **blessed** doesn't mean *hand out*. It means **happy**.
- **ON TV:** Most Americans feel financial pressure because we have never learned to be generous.

ON TV: WORRY

- **ON TV:** We spend everything or more than we make.
- **ON TV:** If we have no financial margin, then we have something to worry about.
- **ON TV:** What we really worry about is **future consuming**.
- **ON TV:** If it comes to me, it's for me.

ON TV: How much **more income** would you need in order to stop spending everything you make or to stop spending more than you make?

ON TV: More money than you will ever get all at one time.

ON TV:

- 1. How much more money would you need to stop carrying a balance on your credit card?
- 2. How much more money would you need to get completely out of debt and stay out of debt?

ON TV: Way more money that we're ever going to get all at one time.

ON TV: "Your problem isn't me; it is a contentment issue in you."

ON TV:

- **3.** How much more money do you thing you would need to make to be able to **create financial margin**?
- 4. How much more money would you need to stop worrying about money?

ON TV: Worry is not a money problem. Worry is a **spiritual** problem.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "Tell those who are rich in this world's wealthy to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money, which is here today and gone tomorrow. Tell them to go after God, who piles on all the riches we could ever manage—to do good, to be rich in helping others, to be extravagantly generous. If they do that, they'll build a treasure that will last, gaining life that is truly life." 1 Timothy 6:17

ON TV:

- 1. More money does not generate more **self-control**.
- 2. More money does not result in more **discipline**.
- 3. More money does not create more **contentment**.
- 4. More money does not eliminate worry because worry is not about money.

ON TV: Most financial worry is the result of **wanting** what we can't get, not **needing** what we don't have.

ON TV: Generous people do not **assume** their money is theirs to consume. Generous people break the mindset by thinking like a **giver**.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "16b...The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. 17 He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store **my** crops.' 18 And then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down **my** barns and I will build bigger ones and there I will store all **my** grain and my goods.'" Luke 12:16b-18

ON TV:

- Have you ever had a garage/yard sale?
- After the sale was over, have you ever had to haul the stuff that didn't sell to Goodwill?
 - Have you ever had a hard time **finding space** in your attic or the basement for something you weren't using because the attic or basement was already full of stuff you weren't using anymore?

ON TV/OUTLINE: "19 And I'll say to myself, 'You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. **Take life** easy; eat drink and be merry.' 20 But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'" Luke 12:19-20

ON TV: Somebody else.

ON TV/OUTLINE: "21 This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for himself but is **not rich toward** *God*." Luke 12:21

ON TV: "I can add meaning to your life, but I'm not the meaning of life."

ON TV: Money is a **tool**.

ON TV: To what **ends** do you want your life to be a means?

ON TV:

- What do you want people to celebrate about you when you're gone?
- What do you want people to line up and **thank you** for in the end?

ON TV: When you decide where to give, give from a **grateful heart** and give from a **broken heart**.

ON TV: Decide **ahead** of time.

ON TV: To what **ends** do you want your life to be a means?