



Luke 16:1-9; 12-13

1 He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. **2** And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' **3** And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. **4** I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' **5** So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' **6** He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' **7** Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' **8** The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. **9** And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings... **12** And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? **13** No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

Money is a **tool** to be **used**. We must be careful not to **let** it **use** us.

Money is a **test**.

We do not **own** the money we have. We are **managers** of the money we have.

Money can add **meaning** to your life, but it is not the **meaning** of your life.

Money is a much better **servant** than it is a **master**, because your money will always **go** where you **send** it.

If the money you have isn't about **God**, then it is your **god**.

If you haven't **surrendered** what you **have** to Jesus, you **haven't** really **surrendered**.

Confess and repent || Live on a percentage. || Turn your stuff into stories. || Don't hoard.



What's the most expensive thing that you've ever purchased?

Where do you see yourself making financial sacrifices?

Re-read Luke 16. What is the point that Jesus draws from this parable?

Is it possible for a money-obsessed person to become a committed follower of Jesus? If not, how might this occur?

Why would it be difficult for someone who is money-obsessed to give their tithes to God?

Read 2 Corinthians 8:8-9. When Paul is asking the people of Corinth to meet a financial need, what motivation does he provide for them?

Pastor Chris talked about giving our money away to help people. This week, how can you meet a need of someone either in your friend group or to help a complete stranger? Discuss with your LifeGroup and hold each other accountable this week. Don't just talk about meeting needs... Go out and actually do it.

Spend some time sharing your prayer needs. Pray for one another based on the needs mentioned.

Remember, as you encounter people this week, share the Gospel and invite them to Vision.