



## FINANCIAL PROBLEMS

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**BIG ACTION:** Think these 5 things and do these 5 things.

**I. 5 things to think about as you go through financial distress (adapted from Dave Ramsey).**

1. Take that worry, whether Lupe or Miriam (see 1/9 sermon on anxiety), and throw it at God's big feet (Psalm 46:1-2; Phil. 4:6-7)
2. It's God's money ... He can do what He wants with it (Psalm 24:1; Deut. 8:17-18)
3. Admit your need and depend on God (Jer. 17:5-9; Matt. 6:25-27)
4. Learn the secret of contentment when things are going well and when things are going badly (Job 1:21; Phil. 4:4-7; 12-13)
5. Be generous. Seriously. Always. (Prov. 11:24-25; Luke 6:38; 1 John 3:16-18)

**II. 5 things to do to get out of your financial distress (From the book, *True Riches. What Jesus Really Said About Money and Your Heart* and some real world wisdom from Neil Clark).**

1. Admit You Have a Problem (Psalm 139:23-24)
2. Stop the Leaks (Romans 12:2)
3. Create a Cushion (Prov. 21:20)
4. Ditch the Debt (Prov. 22:7)
5. Get on a Spending Plan (Prov. 21:5)

**For Next Week Read:**  
Ecclesiastes 7:3-4

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