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## SUMMARY

Jesus says too much about money and our resources for us to ignore it! We are commanded to be generous and encouraged to be wise in how we approach managing our resources.

The author Paul adds some practical advice on how to keep a generous heart at the forefront of our thoughts when it comes to managing what we have.

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## START WELL

Before each meeting you should:

- Read the scripture reference(s).
- Read the discussion topics.
- Pray for your group mates.
- Pray for your meeting.
- Be the first to smile!

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## END WELL

Each week you should:

- Remind people to pray
- Update the prayer journal
- Follow up with your group midweek

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## ICEBREAKER

If you had to relive this week over again, is there anything you would change? What would you change and why?

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## DISCUSSION

Money is a **super** sensitive topic for most people. Keep that in mind as your group dives into some areas that may be difficult for some or all of your members to talk about.

Some areas you can talk about:

### 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

- What stands out about Paul's statements regarding generosity?
- Why do you think he emphasized what he did? (cheerful, no-compulsion, etc.)

### Matthew 25:14-30

- What do you think about the ruler in Jesus's story?
- What do you think of the ruler's treatment of his servants?
- Which servant are you like?

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## SCRIPTURE

- **2 Corinthians 9:6-15** - Generosity is not merely a suggestion.
- **Matthew 25:14-30** - Responsible resource management.

When it comes to money, God paints a pretty clear picture about who or what you can serve.

- Do you budget? Weekly? Monthly?
- Who's money is it?
- What would happen in your life if money had control of your actions?
- What would happen in your life if God had control of your actions?
- How do you view debt?

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