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## October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017: GOD, PEOPLE, MONEY

## OPENING

- What would your budget have looked like in elementary school? In high school?
- Do you tend to like budgeting? Why or why not?

## **DISCUSS & APPLY**

- Why do you think it's hard to talk about money in church?
- Do you tend to think of money as a spiritual issue? What connection do you think there is between our beliefs and how we spend our money?

#### Read Acts 4:32

- Why do you think believing in Jesus unified the early church? How would feeling like you're a part of something bigger affect how you view and manage your possessions?
- How could those people believe that their stuff wasn't theirs? <u>Read Psalm 24:1 and Psalm 89:11</u>. What do you think it would look like to view everything you have as God's possession? How would that impact the way you think about money? What's one way that would impact how you spent it?

#### Read Acts 4:33-35

- What were some of the results of the generosity of the early Christians? How can your generosity today impact the lives of others?
- What do you think it means to be in need? Do you ever think you have needs that aren't actually needs?
- How can a church managing peoples' generosity magnify any one individual's giving? How can you be a part of that?

## FINAL APPLICATION

Why do you think God cares about your use of money? What is one way that God wants you to grow closer to him through the way you handle your money?