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**Act Your Wage - November 15, 2015**

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2. Has your life been affected by debt? If so, how has it affected you?
3. Read and reflect on Matthew 6:25-34. What is Jesus teaching in this passage? What promise does he offer?
4. Of the four biblical values related to financial freedom from the message, which do you struggle with most and want to focus on improving? Explain.
5. What are some things you've said "no" to in order to avoid debt? What things do you have a hard time saying "no" to that prevent your from showing self-control, sacrifice, and contentment in your life?
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7. Read Philippians 4:10-13 and Hebrews 13:5 in the Bible. How *satisfied/content* are you in life? According to these passages, what is the key to experiencing contentment?
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## SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

### Act Your Wage

With Aaron Richert, Multiply Team Leader  
Nov. 15, 2015



Proverbs 22:7

“Just as the rich rule the poor, so the borrower is servant to the lender.”

**Big Idea: Financial freedom is possible when we embrace BIBLICAL VALUES.**

### 1. Embrace the value of SELF-CONTROL

Proverbs 25:28 “A person without self-control is like a city with broken-down walls.”

“Say no for a little while so you can say yes for the rest of our lives.”

### 2. Embrace the value of SACRIFICE

Hebrews 12:2a “We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross...”

Sacrifice: Giving up something you love for something you love even more.

### 3. Embrace the value of CONTENTMENT

Hebrews 13:5 “Don’t love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, ‘I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.’”

“Becoming *content* is something we *learn*.”

### 4. Embrace the value of PLANNING

Luke 14:28 “But don’t begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it?”

Proverbs 21:5 “Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.”

“A goal without a plan is just a *wish*”

#### Getting Started:

#### 1. PRAY.

The key to embracing Biblical values is to embrace JESUS.

#### 2. Set a BUDGET, and track your spending.

#### 3. Find \$1000 for Emergency Savings.

#### 4. Begin the DEBT SNOWBALL strategy.

*The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation (NLT).*