



Title: MONEY MATTERS—*The Rich and the Kingdom of God*

Main Scripture: Mark 10:17-27

God doesn't want your _____; He wants your _____.
(Mk 10:21)

Do you have your money or does your money have you?
(Lk 16:13)

“Money Matters – The Rich and The Kingdom of God”

Small Group Sermon Study | Mark 10:17-27

April 15/16, 2023

Prayer: *Father, we thank You that You are with us. Please pour out Your Holy Spirit on us as we meet now. We need Your grace, Your truth and Your wisdom to lead us. In Jesus’ name, amen.*

Icebreaker: Take some time to share about your first job. What was it and where? Share as many details as possible. What did you spend your first pay cheque on? Why?

Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:

1. What did you like or appreciate about this message? What really hit home for you?
2. Pastor Rob asks this question: “Have you ever thought about if your money could actually talk, what it would say about you?” What would your money say about you? How do you feel about that? How do you think Jesus responds to what your money says about you?
3. Pastor Rob highlights the truth that Jesus talks more about money than He does about heaven. Why do think Jesus spoke so much about money?
4. “Money can be a monster. It is so dangerous spiritually that even not having it can destroy you.” Why do you think money is a monster and dangerous spiritually? What is it like to have “not enough” and “too much”? Take some time to process with your group.
5. “When you encounter the real Jesus, you are always shocked. You always find it demands more than you thought, and it offers more than you thought.” Share some of the ways that you have been shocked by Jesus. In what ways has it demanded more of you than you thought? In what ways has it offered you more than you thought?
6. Pastor Rob talks about: “Money can’t buy everything we long for. Money isn’t the solution. It can open lots of doors, but it can’t open every door; Jesus is the final answer.” Talk about the ways in which you may have trusted in the power of money or the doors that it can open for you. In what ways have you looked to money to be a solution for the challenges of life? Share any ways that you have looked to money to solve your problems, rather than Jesus.
7. “God doesn’t want your money; He wants your heart.” Pastor Rob makes this statement to point to the fact that there are many things that we love more than Jesus. What is your real master? Take a few moments to think about that. Are you willing to surrender that thing that masters you (it could be money) to Jesus? What is holding you back? Will you share that with the group and pray for each other?
8. Brainstorm some practical steps that you could take as an individual and as a group, to take action steps, to live out the message this weekend.

Prayer: *Close in prayer together, praying for yourself and for one another, according to whatever God has shown or spoken to you today.*