

Small Group Discussion Guide: The Kingdom Standard

Biblical Recap: In Luke 16:14-18, Jesus challenges religious leaders and His disciples to recognize that earthly wealth is temporary and insufficient to secure eternal life. The kingdom of God demands that we value eternal riches—grace, love, peace, and joy—above the fleeting wealth of this world. The heart of this message is the call to align our hearts with God's eternal standards rather than worldly ones.

Ice Breaker Options:

1. If you could only use Monopoly money for a day, what's the funniest thing you'd try to buy?
 2. Share a time when you tried to "make do" creatively with limited resources (e.g., cooking with whatever was in the pantry).
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Read Together: Luke 16:14-18

Discussion Questions:

- What did you like, not like, or find confusing?
 - What does this passage teach you about God, Jesus, or the Holy Spirit?
 - What does this passage reveal about human nature?
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Sermon-related Question: - The sermon emphasized the temporary nature of "unrighteous wealth." How might viewing our earthly resources as temporary influence our daily choices?

Application Questions:

1. How can you practically leverage the resources (time, money, relationships) God has given you this week to have an eternal impact in the places you live, work, and play?
 2. Reflecting honestly, are there areas in your life where you're trying to serve both God and worldly success? What step can you take this week to prioritize the kingdom of God?
 3. Marriage was highlighted as an example of aligning with God's design. If married, how can your relationship more clearly reflect God's kingdom to those around you? If single, how can your life model God's love and faithfulness clearly to your community?
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Weekly Challenge: Consider the resources you have (time, money, talents). Choose one area of your life—where you live, work, or play—and intentionally use your resources this week to reflect and advance God's kingdom.