



**WEEK 2**

**Money is a Tool**

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## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**1. How often do you think about money? What kind of thoughts do you have about it?**

Is it bad thing to have it on your mind?

**2. "Money is a tool, so stop treating it like a God." What did Pastor Harry mean by this? How do we treat money like a God?**

**3. Take a look at the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25:14-30. What is distinctive about what the master did with his money before he left?**

What was the master expecting from his servants?

**4. Why do you think the master in this story seems harsh toward the third servant? What do you think was Jesus' point here?**

**5. Pastor Harry said this parable shows us that “everyone has received something from God.” Do people typically live like they believe this is true? Why or why not?**

**6. “What we have is less important than what we *do* with what we have.” What did Pastor Harry mean by this statement?**

Can the poorest person do as much for God with their resources as the richest one? How?

**7. What is the one thing we can give back to God that He first didn’t already give us?**

**8. Consider this quote by missionary Jim Elliot: “He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.” – What was he getting at? What do we get to keep? What cannot be lost?**

**CRB Core Value Thought:** Pastor Harry made the point that we are to love God and use money. So often our culture has it backward: we love money and use God. This week, meditate on Jesus words to us in Matthew 6:19-21 and ask God to show you which one of these two ways of living is most accurate for you. Then pray for a change of heart and mind if need be.

**MEMORIZE Philippians 4:19** – “And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”