



Talking through the weekly message helps you turn information into application. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you make the next move.

#### **City Group Icebreaker: Questions to Get You Talking**

Many are under money's power and don't even know it. Money promises what only God can provide (Security + Significance). What are your thoughts?

**Key Scriptures:** *No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money. **Matthew 6:24***

*6 But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. 9 People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. **1 Timothy 6:6-10***

**More + MTG Scriptures:** *Proverbs 12:9, Proverbs 13:7, Proverbs 21:20, Luke 16:10-11*

**Big Idea of the Message:** When it comes to managing our money, do we really trust God's plan? Because if we don't, we will likely end up serving our money rather than serving our God. In this passage we see God doesn't want your money. He wants your heart. Because He can't be your treasure at the same time your money is.

#### **Message Study: The Essential Questions**

- What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
- How did God speak to you in the aforementioned passages?
- Are you faithfully obeying what you've learned?

#### **Move Up. Connect To Christ**

- Did you make space for loving Christ this week?
- What is in the way of you loving Christ with all your heart, soul, mind and strength with your treasure?
- What is in the way of you connecting and conforming to the character of Christ?

#### **Move Out. Connect To Culture.**

- Did you love others (family, friends, community, city) the way you loved self?
- Have you lacked integrity in your financial dealings or coveted something that does not belong to you?
- Are you connecting or conforming to Culture, how?

#### **Move In. Connect Culture To Christ.**

- What can you model and teach? What does God want you to share with someone this week?
- What have you done lately to "build a bridge" for the purpose of sharing the gospel?
- What is in the way of you connecting the culture to Culture (making disciples)?

#### **Application Point:**

**Start Praying.** Help us always to use your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray this with grateful hearts in Jesus' name. Amen.