

SERIES: **MYTH BUSTERS** - WHEN FAITH MEETS THE HARD QUESTIONS

DOES THE CHURCH JUST WANT MY MONEY?

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JESUS IS NOT AFTER MONEY - HE'S AFTER PEOPLE.

Luke 19:10 (NLT)

For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.

*"The mission has never been about money.
It has always been about people."*

Luke 19:1-7 (NLT)

Jesus entered Jericho and made His way through the town. There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. When Jesus came by, He looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name. "Zacchaeus!" He said. "Quick, come down! I must be a guest in your home today." Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. But the people were displeased. "He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner," they grumbled.

*You can have everything materially
and still be spiritually empty.*

*No one is too broken for God,
even if everyone else thinks they are.*

UNLEASHED
CHRISTIAN
CHURCH
TEACHING NOTES

WE GIVE BECAUSE WE'RE GRATEFUL

Luke 19:8-9 (NLT)

Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham..."

The thing that once had first place in his life, lost its grip!

I Timothy 6:10a (NLT)

For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil...

Matthew 6:24 (NLT)

No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money.

God tells His people: 'You can trust Me. I will take care of you.'

WE GIVE TO INVEST IN KINGDOM IMPACT!

Luke 19:13 (NLT)

Before he left, he called together ten of his servants and divided among them ten pounds of silver, saying, 'Invest this for me while I am gone.'

*Would someone come to Jesus
because of the investment you are making?*

NEXT WEEK: ARE CHRISTIANS JUST HYPOCRITES?

*We're so glad you joined us. If you would like more information about God,
Jesus and the Bible, please talk with any of our church leaders.
Thank you for joining us!*