

You can't be a fully devoted follower of Jesus and not invite Him into the realm of personal finances.

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Luke 16 He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions.

2 And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' 3 And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg.

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4 I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?'

6 He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' 7 Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.'

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8 The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light.

## **HOW GOD VIEWS WEALTH**

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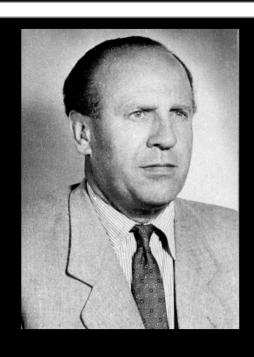
# HOW GOD VIEWS WEALTH 1. TOOL

9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

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"How can we use our money and stuff to help people encounter the gospel of Jesus Christ?"

How can we use what we have for the sake of the gospel?





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10 "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches?

12 And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own?

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We are God's Money Managers.

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Does the way I handle my wealth show God I can be trusted with His true riches?

13 No servant can serve two masters, for 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 God and money."

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- 3. TRADEMARK

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Trademark = a distinctive mark or feature particularly characteristic of or identified with a person or thing (dictionary.com)

Does the way I handle my money show that I serve Jesus?

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The trademark for followers of Jesus is joyful generosity.

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"The early church was strikingly different from the culture around it in this way - the pagan society was stingy with its money and promiscuous with its body. A pagan gave nobody their money and practically gave everybody their body. And the Christians came along and gave practically nobody their body and they gave practically everybody their money." Tim Keller

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**RESPONSE:** 

What if we became a generous people who imitated our generous God?

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What if 100% of the people who call Crossbridge home practiced the way of generosity through financial giving?

What if 100 % of Crossbridge took a next step in generous living?

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The next step of generosity: What can we be giving that will express our gratitude for what He has done for us? Do we give in a way that places Christ over all things in our life?

