## **SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

"Money: a Case Study" – Pastor Chad Gilligan

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1) Have you ever started a project and realized you were doing it all wrong?

Read Malachi. 3:8 – "Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. But you ask, How are we robbing you? "In tithes and offerings."

- 2) What was your view on tithing growing up?
- 3) Have you seen tithing change your life in some way? How?

Read 2 Corinthians 9:7 – "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

- 4) Is it hard to believe all the money, influence, perks, and the earthly things we treasure and have worked so hard for, are really God's and not ours? Why or why not?
- 5) What are some of the lies Satan tells us that make us reluctant to trust God with our finances and our lives?

Read Malachi 3:10 – "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

- 6) What are some of the blessings God has given you? How have they changed your life?
- 7) Why do you think God says to "test him" in our finances?

Read 2 Corinthians 9:10-11 – "Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

8) What are a few ways we can bless others with the blessings we have been given?

**Prayer:** Take a moment to pray for your group.