

PROVERBS: MONEY

DISCUSSION GUIDE



SUMMARY:

King Solomon, who wrote most of the 31 chapters of Proverbs, is not only the wisest man in human history, but also probably the richest person who ever lived. All it costs you and I to acquire some of his financial wisdom is to take the time to learn and, in humility, to obey. Proverbs teaches us that our God is drawn to the generous. He wants to pour out his favor on his children. And while generosity is not a spiritual formula, it is a spiritual formation.

Key Passage: Proverbs 3:5-10; Proverbs 23:4-5

Be sure to read this Scripture passage together before you proceed to the “Grow” section of our study.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION

KNOW: Spend some time finding out how everyone’s week has gone.

The questions in this section provide a guide for connectivity; feel free to approach this part of your group time organically over a meal or “connection” activity or with questions appropriate to your context.

What is something that you are thankful for this week?

What is something that is causing you stress or concern this week?

Who in your life is in need of prayer, physical help, or emotional encouragement right now?

GROW: Grow in the Lord as you engage His Word together.

Do we spend more time seeking to know and to fear God, or in making and multiplying money? In honesty, at this moment in your life, how would you answer this question? Explain your answer.

Proverbs 3:5 tells us to trust in the LORD with all your heart and to not depend on your own understanding. How does complete trust in God for all things change the way we view our wealth?

According to Proverbs 15:16 what is better than chasing riches?

GO: Talk through ways you can put what you've learned into practice.

It’s been said that we’re not to idolize or demonize money, but we’re to prioritize it. What do you think this means?

What tensions do you feel when you do give away money? What would have to change in your life if you gave more of your money away?

What steps have you taken to create a culture of generosity in your own home when it comes to money? Share with your group.

LOVE GOD. LOVE PEOPLE.