

EQUIP CARD

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We all have cool [fun] money stories as well as stories of regret and mistakes. What are some of the financial mistakes that you see people continually make? Why do you think so many people keep making the same mistake if it is so obvious?

Read Matthew 6:19-24 and Ecclesiastes 5:10.

These verses show us that we cannot serve both God and money and that there is no satisfaction in the love of money.

Describe a time in your life where you placed your trust in money and not in God. How did the situation ultimately turn out? What did you learn from this experience?

With your Bible or YouVersion, read Luke 16:1-13.

In this parable, Jesus instructs us that if we are not good stewards of worldly wealth, then God will not trust us with true riches.

If someone was to look at your checkbook today, what would they learn about your priorities based on how you spend your money? Do you think your priorities align with God's?

Read Matthew 23:23 and Proverbs 3:9-10.

These verses instruct us to give God His tithe first rather than waiting to give it last.

It requires faith to give first. If you give last, it doesn't require faith. Describe a time when you gave first. What blessings resulted from your act of faith?

Here are some specific things you can do this week to help you take steps towards handling your money God's way.

If you are not currently tithing, consider taking the Three-Month Tithing Challenge. Commit to tithing for three months, and if you do not see God's blessings in that time, your money will be refunded.

Make a list of some of the blessings you have experienced in your life as a result of tithing. Keep this list in a place where you can see it, so it serves as a reminder of the blessings of tithing and will be an encouragement during times when you struggle with tithing.

Pray and ask God to bless others through your tithe. Pray for the projects, people, and ministries supported through our church. Discuss your struggles with money with God in prayer. Ask Him for strength in overcoming your fears.

Songs:

You'll Come by Hillsong UNITED

What A Beautiful Name by Hillsong Worship

Great Are You Lord by Vertical Church Band

Take My Life by Chris Tomlin



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