

03/06/2022 FIRST AND BEST Discussion Guide

BIG IDEA

In a world filled with financial gurus, "get rich quick" schemes, side-hustles, and an emphasis on F.I.R.E. (financially independent, retiring early), it can be difficult to know where to start with our finances. In this message, Pastor Daniel provides an anchor to what the Bible says about finances and practical steps for what's next no matter where you are in your journey of generosity.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- Philippians 3:13-14
- Luke 12:13-21
- Psalm 50:10
- Proverbs 11:24-25 (MSG)
- Exodus 13:1-2, 11-14
- Matthew 6:21
- Exodus 23:19a
- Proverbs 3:9-10

- Leviticus 27:30
- Malachi 3:8-11
- James 4:8

TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- It's about Order: Looking at your resources, what indicates that God is first in your life? If you created a financial plan after last week's message, how does it represent God's first and best?
- It's about Value: What things do you gladly do? Why? What does it mean to give God your best in every aspect of your life? What's the difference between "giving to get" and thinking that you "get to give"?
- It's about Obedience: If you've tested God's promise regarding tithing, describe your life at that moment and the changes in your life as a result.
- It's about Legacy: How is your life a testimony of God's faithfulness to the next generation?

APPLICATION IDEAS

- What is your next step in generosity?
 - Start where you can: Faith Builders
 - Return the tithe: House Builders
 - Give over and above: Kingdom Builders

PRAYER FOCUS

At Lifepoint, we pray until something happens. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

• Pray that God gives you the desire to be generous. Pray for wisdom for how to make room for God to work in and through you in the area of generosity this week.

LEADER TIPS

• How are you creating a life of legacy? Have a discussion with your coach, develop a plan, and take your next step.

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