



WEEK FOUR

MONEY IS POWERFUL

Various Proverbs

SERMON REFLECTION

1. Describe one of your main takeaways from this Sunday's sermon.
2. What did you learn about wisdom that you can apply to your life this week?

BIBLE STUDY

1. How do the following proverbs encourage us in regard to earthly possessions and wealth? Consider Proverbs 11:24-26, 18:16, 19:17, 22:9, 28:8, and 28:27.
2. Read the following proverbs: 10:2, 15:27, 17:23, 20:17, 21:6, 22:16. What do these passages teach us on the contemporary view that "the ends justify the means"?
3. What wisdom does Proverbs provide in regard to our finances? Consider Proverbs 12:11, 19:1, 22:22-23, 28:6, and 28:11.
4. According to some ideologies, the accumulation of wealth is inherently immoral. How does Proverbs show that wealth can be an indicator of godly wisdom? Consider Proverbs 14:24, 15:6, 18:11, 21:20, and 22:2.

GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. Read the first page of "[The Four Hs of Financial Wisdom](#)." Reflect on the importance you place on your possessions. Who owns everything in your possession? Why is this an important first truth to understand?
2. Why is character more important than riches? Which people or situations in the Bible can you point to as evidence of that truth?

FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP

Partner with your children to develop a culture of generosity. Don't simply teach your children to give generously, do it together! The organization [I Like Giving](#) provides excellent resources for younger children and teens. Consider using these resources to help you start a conversation on generosity this week (perhaps around the dinner table or on a family walk). Continue this open dialogue and work to cultivate a lifestyle of generosity as a family.

APPLICATION

- This week, reflect on your view of money in light of Jesus's return. Read what Proverbs 11:4 says about the effect money has at the last judgment. As you meditate on that passage, pray that God would show you how your heart values money in comparison to how it values Jesus's righteousness.
- Take tangible steps to place Jesus's righteousness in a place of priority in your heart. Consider sharing these with a spouse, trusted friend, or accountability partner.
- Would you like help applying financial wisdom or biblical stewardship? We offer free financial coaching. [Request Financial Coaching](#).

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Book: [*Never Enough: 3 Keys to Financial Contentment*](#)

Book: [*The Treasure Principle: Unlocking the Secret of Joyful Living*](#)

Article: "[Faithful Stewardship Amidst Economic Uncertainty](#)"

Article: "[Saving Money: What Does Proverbs Say?](#)"

Podcast: "[Financial Stewardship, Forever Rewards](#)"

Tools: [Ron Blue Institute](#)