



## Living Faith Stewards Money Well

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CG Discussion Guide

### CATCHING UP ON LIFE

This is when we update each other on the things that Jesus has been up to in our lives since we last saw each other. As A church family, we care about each other's lives: what we're celebrating, what we're mourning, what decisions we are praying through, and everything in between. (1 Thessalonians 2:8, Romans 12:10 and 15)  
*Suggested time: 10 minutes*

- What can you thank God for this week?
- When were you most aware of Jesus' presence this week?
- When were you least aware of Jesus' presence this week?

### REVIEW THE MISSION

Just like God the Father sent Jesus on a mission of reconciliation for us, Jesus sends us out as ambassadors of His reconciliation. We are called to make disciples wherever we go because Jesus changes everything. (John 20:21 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20) · *Suggested time: 10-15 minutes*

- People:
  - Who in your life (family, coworkers, etc.) can we join you in praying for? Who has God put around you that is showing spiritual interest? Who is hurting and could use some love from our group?
  - Who are the people we are intentionally living on mission with (neighbors, Serve CLT partner organizations, or a specific demographic in Charlotte)? What are our upcoming plans to love, serve, and build relationships with this group?
- Plan:
  - Are there any hangouts already planned, or an extra hangout we could plan to create a way for these friends to connect with our group?
- Pray:
  - Prayer is the fuel of God's mission. Let's pray for our people by name; pray for their needs, and opportunities to have spiritual conversations that help them take next steps toward Jesus.

## SCRIPTURE AND SERMON DISCUSSION

God uses His Word to reveal Himself to us, equip us to live the good life He's designed for us, show us our sin, and strengthen us as we follow Him. We preach the Word on Sundays and apply it as a Community Group throughout the week. (2 Timothy 3:16-17, Colossians 1:9-12 and James 1:22-25) · *Suggested Time: 30-40 minutes*

### **Read James 5:1-6 and Recap the Sermon.**

1. What stood out to you from the Scriptures or the sermon? What comforted you? What convicted you?
2. How would you describe your typical posture towards money? Is money uncomfortable for you to talk about with others? Why or why not?

### **Read James 5:2-5. In the sermon we said that money is a false god that offers security, power, and comfort.**

3. How have you seen in your life a desire to go to money for either security, power, or comfort? What has this looked like and what has been the result?

### **Read James 5:6 and Matthew 6:24.**

4. How do these verses convict you about your worship/love of money? Where do you see yourself trying to split your heart and live for both God and Money?

*"When money is god, we are selfish. When God is God, we are stewards."*

5. How does the gospel invite you to lay down your worship of money and the ways you look to it for security, power, and comfort and instead worship God and steward your money for the good of others?

### **Time of Prayer.**

6. Pray for our church - that we would worship God and not our money. Pray that we would be good stewards of our wealth, using it for the glory of God and the advancement of His Kingdom.

## ENGAGE THE HEART

Jesus calls us to walk in the light, confessing our sins to God and each other. God's Spirit works through confession and community to lead us to repentance. (Romans 3:23-24, James 5:16 and 1 John 1:5-10)

*Suggested Time: 30-45 minutes*