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MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

Start with an icebreaker question to get everyone talking, then choose the questions that work best for your group.

The Treasure Principle Week 3

ICE-BREAKER:

How much do you care about eternal things?

DISCUSS:

Why do you think we often have a hard time with what the Bible says about our money? What are we afraid of?

How easy is it for you to personally determine where your ultimate allegiance lies? One test to help determine this is to ask yourself what occupies your thoughts, time, and efforts.

In this week's message, two examples were given to illustrate how money and possessions have a way of spotlighting our spiritual condition. Can you name them? Do you agree?

Are there other examples you can share from the Bible or personal experience?

Have you experienced the struggle to surrender your finances to Jesus? What did you do?

READ: Matthew 19:16-22

How would you describe the faith of the rich young ruler? What did he want? How did he go after his desire?

What does the young man's response tell us about his view of eternity?

How might the way we view our money reflect our attitude toward eternity?

APPLY:

If you were to look at your credit card statement or your bank account, what would it say about your treasures? Can you honestly say that God, and not money, is your master?

Are you satisfied with your answer? If so, why? If not, what do you want to change?