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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 4

#### ICE-BREAKER:

What is your most treasured possession?

#### DISCUSS:

Why do most people want more money than they already have?

**READ:** *“Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness! The more you have, the more people come to help you spend it. So what good is wealth—except perhaps to watch it slip through your fingers! People who work hard sleep well, whether they eat little or much. But the rich seldom get a good night’s sleep...Hoarding riches harms the saver. Money is put into risky investments that turn sour, and everything is lost. In the end, there is nothing left to pass on to one’s children. We all come to the end of our lives as naked and empty-handed as on the day we were born. We can’t take our riches with us.” - Ecclesiastes 5:10-15 (NLT)*

Why is money unable to bring happiness or contentment?

If we cannot take anything with us when we die, why do we work so hard to acquire things?

What might prevent you from embracing the treasure principle? What can you do to remove these obstacles?

Have you read the Giving Covenant (page 101)? What did you think when you read it?

#### APPLY:

How can this group help you with your commitment to store up treasure in heaven?

What is one thing you could change about your life-style to reflect the unimportance of money and things in the future?

What can do this week to accept and better appreciate the things that God has given to you?