

Message Discussion Guide

Date: January 14-15, 2023

Title: “Right on the Money”, Week 2

Connect with Each Other:

Icebreakers

You can use these questions to break the ice in conversations as you start your group.

- What show on Netflix did you binge watch embarrassingly fast?
- What is your strangest/hidden talent?

Pray Together

- Lord, we pray that we put God first in our finances, save our money second and lastly spend our money wisely. May focus on God fulfilling our needs, and less on money fulfilling us. Praying for those who have accepted the “God First” challenge that they grow in their faith and that God reveals His blessings via their commitment.

Connect with God:

Message Summary

You may want to ask a group member to recap the message so everyone is ready to discuss the message, especially if some people missed gathering that weekend. If people are having a hard time remembering, you can use this summary to help give a recap.

- **Sticky statement:** Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity
- **Message Summary:** This weekend, Pastor Mark used Proverbs 21:5 to illustrate what it looks like to put God first in our finances. The message ended with a challenge to begin giving our first, continue giving our first and look for ways to be more generous, or give above and beyond our tithe as God leads us.

Key Bible Verses

Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty.

Proverbs 21:5

<https://www.bible.com/bible/116/PRO.21.5.NLT>

Discussion Questions

You can use these questions to help guide your discussion. Think through any helpful ways to preface the questions for your group (a quick recap of a part of the message, reading the associated verse together, etc.)

1. What is your biggest uncertainty when it comes to money?
2. Have you ever taken a shortcut when it comes to your money? How did it affect your finances going forward?
3. What area of your finances do you struggle trusting God with?
4. Do you have a budget? If not, what obstacles do you encounter starting one?
5. How can we manage our money in a way that honors God?
6. What are some of your financial goals that you have in 2023? How does Proverbs 21:5 apply to those goals?
7. What else in the message caught your attention?