

OUTRAGEOUS

STUFF JESUS SAID

Life Group Questions: The Wise Use of Money

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Read

Luke 16:1-13

Reflect

Jesus had a knack for making people uncomfortable and angry. He regularly started conversations on topics that no one wanted to discuss. He wasn't afraid of saying the wrong thing, or of challenging those in power. This week Pastor Greg looked at one of Jesus' most confusing parables. Read Luke 16:1-13 and discuss the following:

- What do you find most confusing or challenging about this story?
- Why do you think Jesus seems to praise the dishonest manager?
- After Jesus is finished talking, the Pharisees become angry. What about this parable do you think made them mad?

Pastor Greg taught us three lessons about the power of money:

1. Money can't buy you love, but it can get you some BFF's
 - a. Jesus points out that people who could care less about God are often smarter than believers when it comes to money. Why do you think that is?
 - b. What are some ways we can use our resources to make friends and serve others?
2. The way you use money now will determine how much God can trust you with later
 - a. What we have here in this world belongs to God. Our true inheritance is in heaven. However, Jesus says that if we want to inherit everything that is ours, we must be wise with what God has given us here in this world. Does this perspective change how you view what you have now?
3. You will constantly be tempted to put your faith in money rather than in God
 - a. If everything we have has been given to us by God, then trusting in money is telling God that he doesn't know what he's talking about – we need more! Why is trusting in money so much easier?
 - b. What in your life is tempting you to trust in money over God?

What was your biggest take-away from the weekend message?

Respond

- What do you feel like God is asking you to do in response to the weekend message? What is your next step?
- How can your Small Group support you and hold you accountable in this?