



Week 3, Day 1:

No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money.

Matthew 6:24 (NLT)

Following Jesus financially is an intentional decision — it won't happen by accident. Jesus said money is the number 1 competitor for our hearts.

All of us have struggled with money, living from paycheck to pay check, wondering how the bills are going to get paid, keeping up with our kids' clothes (and then watching them outgrow them in two months), etc. And let's not even begin to talk about student loan debt!

If you have these, or other, money concerns you are not alone. Struggling financially does not make you a bad person.

When we give, we honor and trust Jesus to be our provider.

Money is a big deal and it's on most people's minds a lot of the time. However, every time you give, it's an opportunity to remember that God is the master over everything — including money. Giving reminds us that Jesus is the source of everything we have. When we give, we HONOR and TRUST Him to be our provider.

PRAYER:

God, thank you for the money you have entrusted me with. Help me to follow Jesus more fully in my finances as an area of stewardship entrusted to me. Help me to move beyond the focus on things of this world and take a step toward trusting You in this area of my life.