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JAMES 7.17.2022 Conversation Guide

Is Money Bad?

James talks about so many practical topics we deal with on a daily basis, so it's no surprise that he discusses money. We all deal with money. We all need money, and money can make us feel like we have control. However, it's fair to say that very few of us have a healthy relationship with it. Let's ask the question: is money bad?

Key Scripture | James 5:1-6

Now listen, you rich people, weep and wail because of the misery that is coming on you. Your wealth has rotted, and moths have eaten your clothes. Your gold and silver are corroded. Their corrosion will testify against you and eat your flesh like fire. You have hoarded wealth in the last days. Look! The wages you failed to pay the workers who mowed your fields are crying out against you. The cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord Almighty. You have lived on earth in luxury and self-indulgence. You have fattened yourselves in the day of slaughter. You have condemned and murdered the innocent one, who was not opposing you. (NIV)

• Related Scriptures | Luke 12:16-19, 27-34

Icebreakers:

Q: Do you enjoy grocery shopping? Or are you an Instacart-order person?

Discussion Questions:

I. Money is a good tool, but a bad God.

Q: How would you describe your relationship with money?

Q: Do you control money as a tool, or do you feel like it controls you?

Q: What positive effects could there be in your life if you surrendered your money to God with open hands?

Get Practical:

What gets your first and best? If you are seeking first the kingdom of God, the way you use money should reflect that. God wants you to *trust* him with your money and your whole life.

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