



Notes | November 12, 2023

## Jesus is Lord of My Money

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The battle of our hearts is about what we worship, what we worship gets our first and best, and what gets our first and best is the ultimate lord of our lives. The most frequent way Jesus discussed lordship was through the lens of money. Stewardship of material possessions is the most important test-case of Lordship for our lives. What we do with our money either nudges our lives toward God or away from Him.

### Key Scripture | Philippians 2:9-11

Therefore God exalted him (Jesus) to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

### Related Scriptures

Mark 12:30, Proverbs 4:23, Matthew 6:21, 1 Timothy 6:10,17, 1 Chronicles 29:14, Luke 12:43-44, Proverbs 3:6, 9-10

### Icebreakers:

Q: What hobby or activity are you willing to spend a lot of money on?



## Key Thoughts and Reflections:

### I. Money is a good tool but a bad god.

Q: What are your feelings towards money in general? (Examples: a useful tool, makes you stressed, gives comfort/security, your greatest aim)

Q: What are your feelings towards giving your money to God (the Church)?

Q: How has your upbringing impacted your relationship between your finances and God?

### II. God owns it all, and we steward what He entrusts to us.

Q: How do you care for something that isn't yours? Do you treat what God has given to you the same way?

Q: Do you typically see yourself as the master or steward of the resources God has given you?

Q: Considering we are called to be stewards; how does that shift your perspective of your resources?

### III. God doesn't care how much money you have, so long as it doesn't have you.

Q: What fights for power over your money?

Q: What would it look like for Jesus to be Lord of your money?

Q: Every financial transaction reveals our heart. Outside of tithing, how could you glorify God more with your finances?

## Get Practical

We climb the ladder of spiritual growth in direct proportion to our surrender to Christ's Lordship, so we have BUILT a 3 WEEK LORDSHIP DEVOTIONAL for you. Text "DEVO" to 37748.

You're in 1of 3 camps when it comes to giving to God:

- You're taking a first-time step towards giving God your first and best. Thank you for your being faithful to God's call of Lordship. Pray this week asking God, how much should I give to you consistently?
- You've been giving God your first and best for a while now. Well done good and faithful



servant! Pray this week asking God, how can I surrender my finances to you, if at all in a new way?

- You still are on the fence about giving God your first and best. That's ok! Pray this week asking God. Why should I give to the church?