



*"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else...  
and He will give you everything you need."*

*Matthew 6:33*



**Get to Know You:** If money were no object, what's one thing you'd do or buy — and why?

1. **Read Matthew 6:25-30.** What are the things Jesus mentions here that are necessities of life? Considering these things, which one do you tend to worry about more often? When we find ourselves worrying about life's basic needs, how can these verses help alleviate this worry? Has there ever been a time in your life in which you were seriously lacking in basic necessities?
2. Thinking about times we may worry that God won't meet your basic needs, how does this impact your ability to be generous in giving? Has there ever been a time when God surprised you with His provision AFTER you gave what you thought you couldn't spare? What happened?
3. **Read Matthew 6:21-24.** In verse 21, we understand that our heart follows our "treasure". In reality, if we look at how we spend our finances, it can reveal to us the things we value most. What do you think Jesus meant in verse 24? How can we practically put God first when it comes to our finances? How might this impact our spiritual growth and discipleship?

4. **Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10.** What do we learn about the “love of money” according to these verses? What part does contentment play in safeguarding us against wandering away from true faith? Can you think of any times that you have observed the pursuit of riches ending in destruction for yourself or others? If that has happened to you, what did you learn from the experience and what advice would you give others?
  
5. **Read Malachi 3:6-12.** In this historic account of God dealing with his people, what did He accuse them of? Why do you think the people didn’t realise they were “cheating” God? What did God remind them about himself? (v. 6) What do you think God was really desiring from His people? Do you think this holds true for His people today?
  
6. **Read Haggai 1:1-11.** What were the people of God being called out on here? What was the result? What did God want them to do? What are some areas in your own life where you may be neglecting God’s house through selfish spending? What do you think might happen if you put His Kingdom first?
  
7. **Read Luke 6:38.** What does Jesus teach about giving here? While we don’t give to get, God is a generous God. According to **2 Cor. 9:6-10**, how is God’s generosity demonstrated through our willing and cheerful giving to others?

**Pray and ask God** to show you areas of your daily life and finance that He wants you to adjust so you can “Seek first the Kingdom of God” demonstrating your trust in Him. Be sure to thank Him for the many ways He meets your needs every day.

**Put it into Action:** Honestly assess where you are at when it comes to trusting God through your giving. What one step could you take to move your giving towards being: a Priority, Planned, a Percentage, or Increasing?

