



**Luke 16**

**13** *No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.*"  
(ESV)

**1. Understand** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.13a)

**2. Identify** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.13b)

**3.** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.13c)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **James 3:14-16** and **4:4-5**. How would you describe the difference between sinful jealousy and God's holy jealousy toward us?
2. Read **Exodus 34:13-16**. Why is it an extraordinarily kind and loving thing for God to caution people to never devote their ultimate loyalty or love to anyone or anything other than him?
3. Read **Proverbs 23:4-5** and **Ecclesiastes 2:1-11**. What personal examples could you provide to demonstrate that material wealth makes for a lousy god?
4. Read **1 Timothy 6:9**. What are some of the significant crossroads that professing Christians face when desiring to be rich *and* please God? In what practical situations do these commitments come into conflict, and often turn out to be the kinds of ruinous spiritual decisions spoken of in this passage?
5. Read **2 Timothy 2:4**. In what way does this military analogy help you to grasp the proper biblical mindset about the subject of this weekend's sermon?

## This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

### January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Ex.1-3 & Mt.15:21-39

### January 23<sup>rd</sup>

Ex.4-6 & Mt.16

### January 24<sup>th</sup>

Ex.7-8 & Mt.17

### January 25<sup>th</sup>

Ex.9-10 & Mt.18:1-20

### January 26<sup>th</sup>

Ex.11-12 & Mt.18:21-35

### January 27<sup>th</sup>

Ex.13-15 & Mt.19:1-15

### January 28<sup>th</sup>

Ex.16-18 & Mt.19:16-30

### January 29<sup>th</sup>

Ex.19-21 & Mt.20:1-16

The following related sermons are also available for free as mp3 downloads or audio streaming on the Focal Point Website ([FocalPointMinistries.org](http://FocalPointMinistries.org)).

Msg. 14-38 – **Living Above the Clutter**

Msg. 13-01 – **Priorities in Tension**

Msg. 14-35 – **When Following Him is Painful**

Msg. 08-05 – **Money Madness: Finding Peace in the Storm of Materialism**

Msg. 16-02 – **The Fear of Having Nothing**

Msg. 12-42 – **Simeon on the Polarizing Effect of Jesus Christ**

Msg. 13-33 – 13-35 – **ATAPAT** (a 3-part series on following Christ in any situation)

## This Week's Social Media Hashtag

**#MoneyMatters**

For users of Twitter, Facebook, or other social media sites for the grouping of sermon quotes, helpful insights, or your sharable applications drawn from today's sermon.

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Alcorn, Randy. **The Treasure Principle**. Multnomah Books, 2001.

Beale, G. K. **We Become What We Worship: A Biblical Theology of Idolatry**. InterVarsity Press, 2008.

Boice, James Montgomery. **Two Cities, Two Loves: Christian Responsibility in a Crumbling Culture**. IVP, 1996.

Clouse, Robert G. **Two Kingdoms: The Church and Culture Through the Ages**. Moody Press, 1993.

Foxe, John. **Foxe's Book of Martyrs**. The John C. Winston Co., 1926.

Harris, Murray J. **Slave of Christ: A New Testament Metaphor for Total Devotion to Christ**. InterVarsity, 2001.

MacArthur, John. **Slave: The Hidden Truth About Your Identity in Christ**. Thomas Nelson, 2010.

Ortlund, Raymond C. **Whoredom: God's Unfaithful Wife in Biblical Theology**. InterVarsity Press, 2001.

Petty, James C. **When the Money Runs Out**. New Growth Press, 2009.

Piper, John. **A Godward Life: Savoring the Supremacy of God in All of Life**. Multnomah Press, 1999.

Thoennes, K. Eirk. **Godly Jealousy: A Theology of Intolerant Love**. Christian Focus Publications, 2005.

VanDrunen, David. **Living in God's Two Kingdoms: A Biblical Vision for Christianity & Culture**. Crossway, 2010.

Watson, Thomas. **The Art of Divine Contentment**. Soli Deo Gloria Publications, 1653 (reprint, 1998).