

Life Group Discussion Guide Proverbs: Wisdom for Life Wisdom that Makes Cent\$ Proverbs 30:7-9 (ESV) Pastor Jim Landymore July 19, 2020

Main Thought: Is money your servant or your master?

Main points:

- 1. Wisdom and Righteousness are better than money!
- 2. **Good** and **Bad** of money
- 3. **Honor** God with your money

Welcome & Fellowship Time (Suggested Time 10 Minutes)

Open in Prayer

Week in Review: (Suggested Sharing Time 10 minutes)

 Who did you share words of encouragement with this last week? Did God prompt you to repair any wounds that your words may have caused? How did those things go?

<u>Discussion Starters:</u> (Suggested Time 5 minutes)

• Share a time when something you really wanted to get didn't measure up to what you had hoped.

<u>Sermon Review:</u> (Suggested Time 15 minutes)

- When have you found yourself discontent with what God has provided you? When were you able to find the discernment to desist in your pursuit for "riches" or are you finding you are too dependent on your wealth?
- Which of the three points do you struggle with the most? Why? Where could someone in your Life Group help you? Which of the three points do you find easiest? How can you help someone else?
- God has a strong opinion of those who demean or belittle the poor. How do you respond to those less fortunate than you? Why? What steps will you take this week to help the poor?



Digging Deeper: (Suggested Time 15 minutes)

Read Proverbs 3:9-10 and discuss the following questions.

- What verses do you know that support the wisdom of this passage?
- How does this compare or contrast to Malachi 3:6-15?

Read Matthew 6:24 and discuss the following questions.

- Why does money make a better servant and a terrible master?
- What passages from the message helped you understand this?
- Compare with Proverbs 22:7 and James 5:1-6

<u>Application:</u> (Suggested Time 15 minutes)

- Carve out time in your day/week to see the wisdom and righteousness of God. Make this a habit. (Proverbs 8:10-11)
- Pray for wisdom on how you can best help the less fortunate. Ask God to make you content and become a cheerful giver. (Acts 20:35)
- Share your story with someone. How has God provided you with all you need? How has He blessed you with love, joy and peace as you pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness and gentleness? (1 Timothy 6:11)

<u>Group Prayer Requests:</u> (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

Spend time praying for each other & praying for application of the study in the lives of the group members. (Suggested time 10 minutes)