



# LIFEGROUPS

**Series: The Struggle is Real:  
The Struggle of Money**

**Scripture: Luke 12:13-34**

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—[ LET'S START ]—

- Talking about money can be difficult. But Jesus talked more about money than he did about prayer or heaven. Why do you think that is?

—[ LET'S TALK ]—

1. Jesus said that we need to “watch out” when it comes to money. Pastor Brad shared about four prayers to help us see our relationship with money more clearly. Which prayer do you feel is most important for you right now? (Lord help me see what I’ve been given. Lord, help me see what I’m giving. Lord, help me see what I’m spending. Lord, help me see what I’m missing.)
2. Giving is one of the most powerful and quickest ways God gives us to free ourselves from greed and worry. How have you experienced that?
3. Pastor Brad said that we all have something we spend money on without thinking about it. What is that for you? What might that say about where your heart is?
4. Read the encounter between Jesus and the rich man in Mark 10:17-31. The rich man couldn’t see the treasure of Jesus because he was blinded by his own treasure. What is there in your life that has the power to blind you from the treasure of Jesus?

—[ LET'S ACT ]—

- Each day of this coming week, write down three things that God has given you and 1 thing that you have given.
- Pray that God will help you to see:
  1. What you've been given – His incredible generosity that He's lavished upon you.
  2. What you're giving. Where are you trusting God?
  3. What you're spending. Where is your heart?
  4. What you're missing. Is there something in your heart that is keeping you from experiencing the real treasure of Jesus?

—[ SERMON REVIEW ]—

- Jesus has a lot to say about money. “Watch Out!”, He says, when it comes to money, ***keep your eyes open. Stay on guard. Be on the lookout!*** Now why would Jesus say that? Because he knows that money has the ability to blind us. To keep us from seeing clearly. That money has the ability to blur the way we see ourselves, the way we see the world, and the way we even see God.
- It is important to see what you’ve been given, what you are giving, what you are spending, and what you are missing.

—[ NOTES ]—

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