

# Money is \_\_\_\_\_.



**Icebreaker: Who would you let borrow your stuff? Do you have conditions on someone borrowing from you, if so, what are they?**

**Main Passage:** Matt. 25:14-30  
1 Cor 4:1-3; Psa 24:1

**Big Idea: I am not the owner; God is**  
(*But if I can learn to be a steward, I'll never be sorry*)

## **Point 1. Earn Justly**

Hab. 2:6-9; Prv. 11:1

- What are some examples of wicked or deceitful gain that can happen in business?

## **Point 2. Honor God with first fruits**

Prv. 3:9-10

- What does the average Christian give of their income towards tithing or missions?
- What percent do most Churches give towards missions?
- How would you respond to, "I don't tithe because I can't afford to?"
- Do you believe that if you give God the first fruits, He will bless you?

## **Point 3. Save Diligently**

Prv. 21:20

- Why should you have a savings account? What are some of the benefits for saving for your future?
- When you have money saved, it allows you to . . . . ?

## **Point 4. Spend Modestly**

1 Tim. 6:6-10; Heb. 13:5

- What power does discontentment have over us at times? What happens when you are discontent? How does your spending reflect this?

## **Point 5. Avoid Debt**

Prv. 22:7; 6:1-5

- Why don't we take this more seriously?
- What do these passages teach us about the lender?
- Are there instances when having debt works to your benefit?

**Point 6. Give Generously**

2 Cor. 9:11

- Why should Christians be known for this?
- In practice, how are you doing this?

**Point 7. Remember the Poor**

Lev. 23:33; Gal. 2:10; Lk. 12:20, 32-34

- How are you remembering the poor?
- What do you believe about missions?

**Point 8. Expect Eternally**

*Invest in others and you will see the rewards in eternity.*

- What did Jesus teach on giving?
- What does the Bible teach about stewardship? Will we be judged on this?