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**LifeGroup and Personal Study Questions**

- In this week's teaching, we learned timeless ideas about saving. Most people "want" to save, but encounter myriad challenges that derail their actual implementation of saving. What challenges do you encounter with your ability to save? If you do not experience challenges and have a successful plan that works for you, are you able to help others that might not be as successful as you are?
- Pastor Bill has spoken to us about "acting our wage," quoting Dave Ramsey. Acting our wage can be facilitated by living according to a budget. Have you or do you live by a budget? If you live by a budget, how does it help you with saving money? If you do not live by a budget, do you experience challenges to saving money?
- Take time to reflect on your lifestyle or standard of living. Are there things you can do without? Do you find yourself buying unnecessary convenience items on credit? If yes, what do you think is the root cause that compels you to purchase things you do not "need" with money you do not have?
- John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, is quoted saying, "earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can." What do you think of this statement?
- Does conversation about your earnings, your savings, and the way you spend your money cause you any discontent? Why or why not? Does it disturb you when someone suggests that you should "give away all you can" of your income?
- From your private studies, what do you find the Bible teaching us about our income, earnings, savings and giving?
- Has this series compelled you to make any changes in the way you earn, save and give? What specific changes do you plan to make? What is your first next step? When do you plan to start?

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