

## **GETTING STARTED:**

1. When have you been let go from a job or been passed over for a job that you wanted?
2. When you buy/sell a car, how much do you haggle over the price?

## **DIGGING DEEPER:**

### **Read Luke 16:1-13**

3. Why do you think Jesus chose to tell this parable? Why do you think it was important for his disciples (and perhaps the Pharisees) to hear?
4. Why did the landowner 'fire' the manager? Do you think this was fair?
5. What is the first thing the manager does when he hears that he is losing his position?
6. Discuss how the manager's business dealings are beneficial for him and for the debtors?
7. What does the landowner do in response to the manager's actions? Why do you think he responds in the way that he does?
8. What is the 'dishonest wealth' of which Jesus speaks? How does Jesus advise we deal with it?

## **APPLYING THE LESSON**

9. What does this parable reveal about the connection between money and the life of those who follow Christ?
10. Who is the 'commendable' one in this parable? How are we to be like him?
11. What ways can we show ourselves to be 'trustworthy' in our use of wealth?
12. Jesus says, "No servant can serve two masters...You cannot serve both God and Money"(v.13). What are some other 'masters' of our culture that scream for your allegiance above God?