

Lighthouse Group Prep Guide

The Mastery of Money (Matthew 6:19–24)

Use these questions to prepare your heart before group. Think through both the main question and the follow-up.

1. Why do you think Jesus talks about money so often when addressing the heart?

Dig Deeper: Where do you see money influencing your sense of peace or security?

2. What's the difference between having money and "laying up treasure on earth"?

Dig Deeper: What would it look like in real life to build your life around money without realizing it?

3. Why is it so easy to believe money will satisfy us, even when experience says otherwise?

Dig Deeper: Where have you personally seen money fail to deliver what it promised?

4. Jesus connects generosity with spiritual "light" and greed with "darkness" (vv. 22–23). Why is that connection so strong?

Dig Deeper: How does selfishness distort the way we see people and needs around us?

5. In Joshua 7, Achan says, "I saw... I coveted... I took..." (Joshua 7:21). Where do you see that same pattern today?

Dig Deeper: What are the "I saw" moments in your life that lead to temptation?

6. Why does money create so much tension, even among believers?

Dig Deeper: What makes it hard to surrender control of finances to God?

7. Jesus says you cannot serve both God and money (v. 24). What does it actually look like to "serve" money?

Dig Deeper: Where do your decisions reveal what you're really serving?

8. If "your treasure determines your heart," how should that shape the way you use money this week?

Dig Deeper: What is one practical shift that would redirect your heart toward eternity?

9. What's one thing God impressed on you that you want to carry into this week?