

The Financial Gauge September 17, 2023

If you were to 100% align your finances with your beliefs, what changes would you need to make to your finances?

Read 1Timothy 6:10, Matthew 6:24, 1Timothy 6:17 and Deuteronomy 8:17-18

As you read each passage, what are some things we are warned to be careful about when it comes to money?

Ted discussed the impact of one "gauge" on other areas of your life. When your financial gauge is running low, which additional area (emotional, relational, physical, or spiritual) is the first to be affected?

Read Philippians 4:12

How content are you right now? Is being content something that generally comes easy to you, or do you need to work at it? What are some ways you can increase contentment during those times when you are not feeling good about your circumstances?

Read Proverbs 10:4-5

Ted talked about the financial process of Earn -> Give -> Save -> Spend. Do you agree with the order of these actions?

Read Proverbs 3:9-10 and Proverbs 11:24-25

How does generosity affect our attitude concerning the finances we have been given? What do you need to give up this week so you can give next week?

Do you have a story you can share about how you were faithful with a small amount of money and God blessed you abundantly for your generosity?

Read Proverbs 21:20

Do you feel like it is good stewardship of your finances to save for the future? How do you balance being wise and prepared for your future needs with being generous?

Read Proverbs 22:7, Proverbs 13:11 and Matthew 6:1-4

These passages give us some great financial reminders. Describe each principle in your own words.

Dave Ramsey warns us "Don't let nice things own you." Have you ever felt "owned" by your things? What did you do to remedy the situation?

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