

## MONEY

## How does God view our money?

- Mark 12V 41 Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. 42 But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few pence.
- 43 Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. 44 They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything all she had to live on.'

Do you think that you have the same or different values to your parents, peers and media regarding money?

## Luke 16 v1-13

- ¹ Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ² So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'
- The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg—4 I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.'
- 5 "So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?'
- 6 "Nine hundred gallons of olive oil, he replied.
- "The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred and fifty.' (50% cut)
- 7 "Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?'
- "'A thousand bushels (30 tons) of wheat,' he replied.
- "He told him, 'Take your bill and make it eight hundred (24 tons).' (20% cut)
- The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. <sup>9</sup> I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

- \* Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. <sup>11</sup> So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? <sup>12</sup> And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?
- "No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

• How will you invest in the kingdom of God?

- Be perfect
- Be a wise builder: build to stand the tests of life and for the future
- Thread to pull out here:
- Repent, kingdom is near
- Be of the opposite spirit (5v3-12)
- Salt & light
- Be very righteous, it counts
- Aim to make peace, not angry
- Very really aggressive about looking at the right things in the right way. Punish yourself.
- Be honourable in your relationships, not just going for what you want.
- Stick with people long term, righteous sacrifice, be different to the world.
- Different to the world. Be simple

## whomadeyourpants?

