

Cryptic Currency - Week 2

Main Idea

If we want our behavior to follow God's principles about money, we must first evaluate what we believe about money.

Starter

If you could go back in time and talk to yourself as a teenager, what is one lesson you would want yourself to know about money?

Discuss

When it comes to money, which of the following are you best and worst at: giving, saving, or spending? Why?

Scripture

Read Matthew [6:19-34](#) and [1 Timothy 6:17-19](#) as a group and discuss:

- What do these passages show you about God and what He wants for your life?
- Try the following exercise as a group.
 - Have everyone read the passages again on their own and see how many "promises" and "commands" they can find.
 - Circle the promises (what God says He will do) and underline the commands (what God asks you to do).
 - Pick a group scribe to record how many you can list as a group.
- Which of these promises encourages you the most? Why?
- Which of the commands is most challenging when you think about money? Why?

Apply

Have everyone spend a few minutes in prayer and reflect on these questions:

1. What is a biblical truth about money God wants you to embrace more fully?
2. What is a step of obedience God is leading you to take this week?

Depending on time, either break up into groups of 2-3 or share with the group what God put on your heart. Pray for each other as the Holy Spirit leads.

If your group needs help to grow in stewardship, here are some great resources Hope provides:

- [Financial Coaching](#): Personalized coaching to help you from wherever you are starting
- [Financial Foundations](#): Online videos to help you build a more biblical foundation of stewardship