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**January Life in the Word Series:**

*From Such Turn Away!*

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LESSON TWO:

# Falling in Love with Money

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Foundation  
Scripture:

**II Timothy 3:1-5**

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But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!





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*(Lovers of Money)*

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# I Timothy 3:1-2

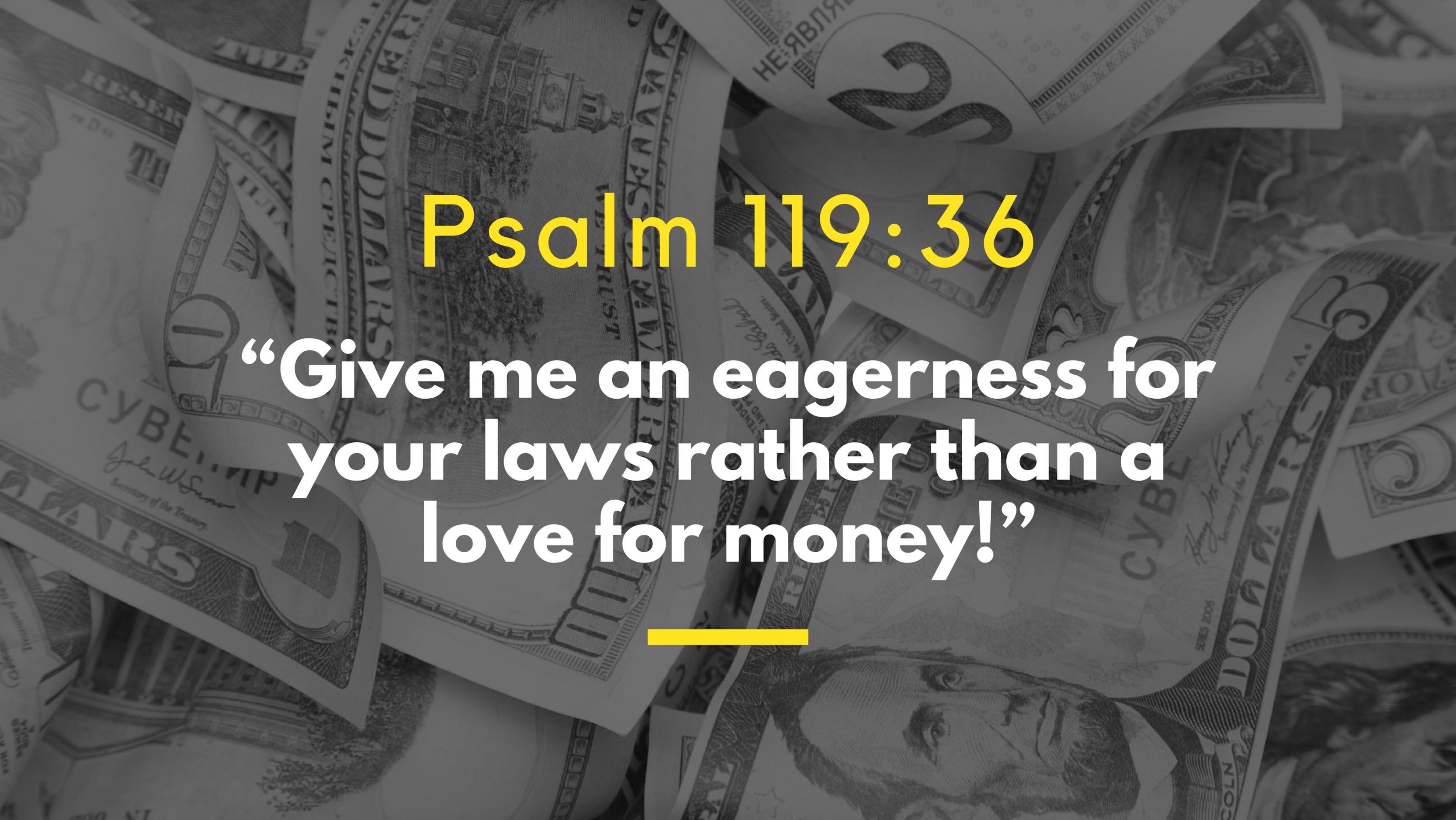
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# Luke 16:13-14

“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.” The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.”

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# Psalm 119:36

**“Give me an eagerness for  
your laws rather than a  
love for money!”**

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1 Timothy 6:6-10, Now godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.



# **Eight Warnings Regarding Money:**

1. It Tempts
2. It Traps
3. It Stimulates Lust
4. It Harms
5. It Destroys
6. it Diverts
7. It Depresses
8. It Ends

# Hebrews 13:5

Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you."



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*Whatever you cannot give away,  
owns you.*

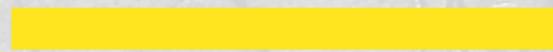
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# **Eight Ways to Overcome the Love of Money:**

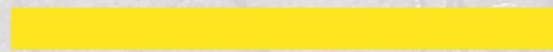
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**1. Make Heaven Your First Priority.**



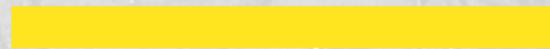
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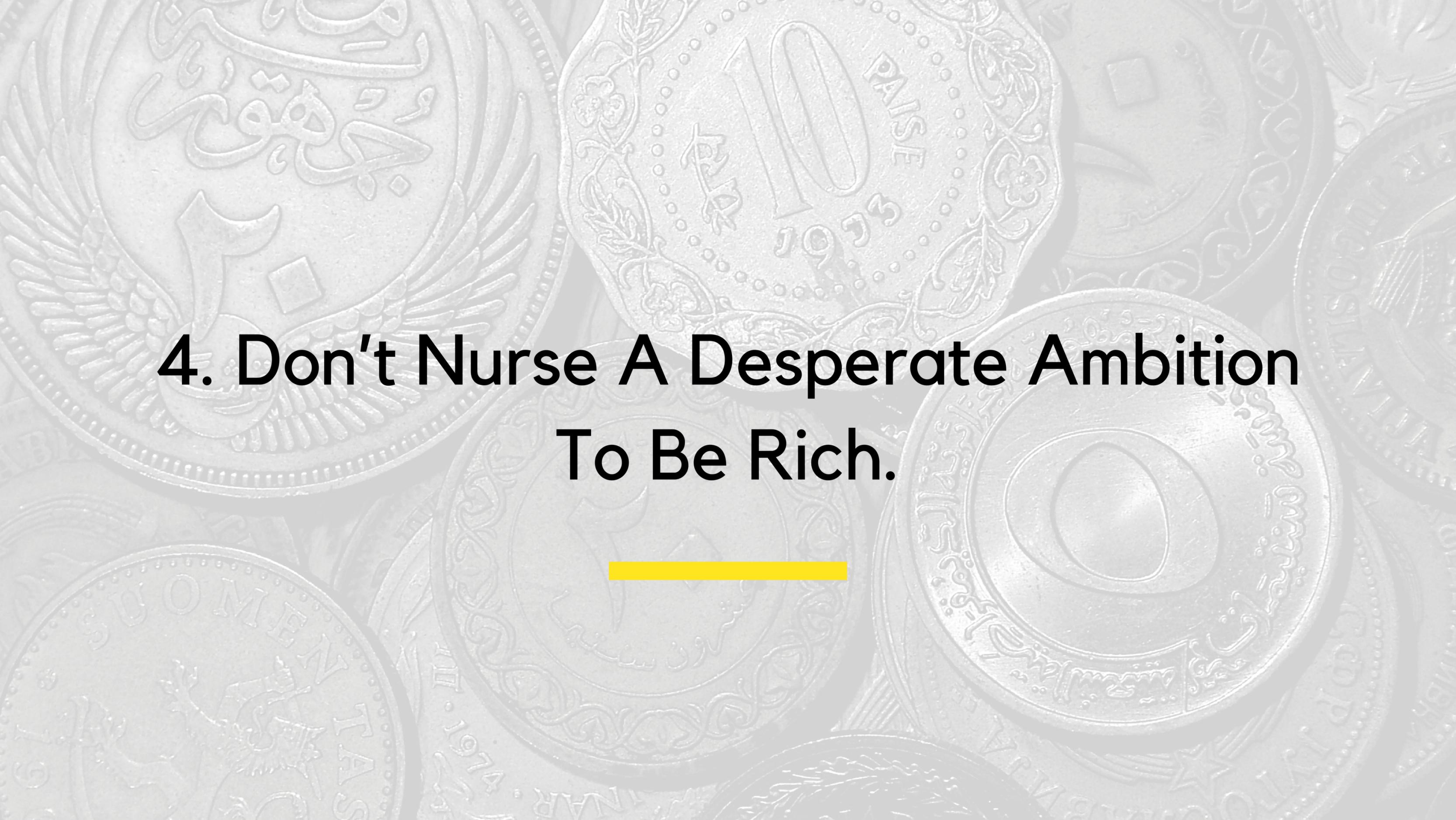
**2. Be Content With What You Have.**



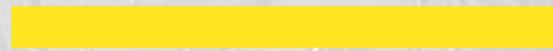
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# 3. Recognize The Difference Between Your Needs And Your Wants.



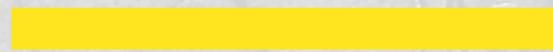
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**4. Don't Nurse A Desperate Ambition  
To Be Rich.**



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# 5. Acknowledge the Vanity of Riches.



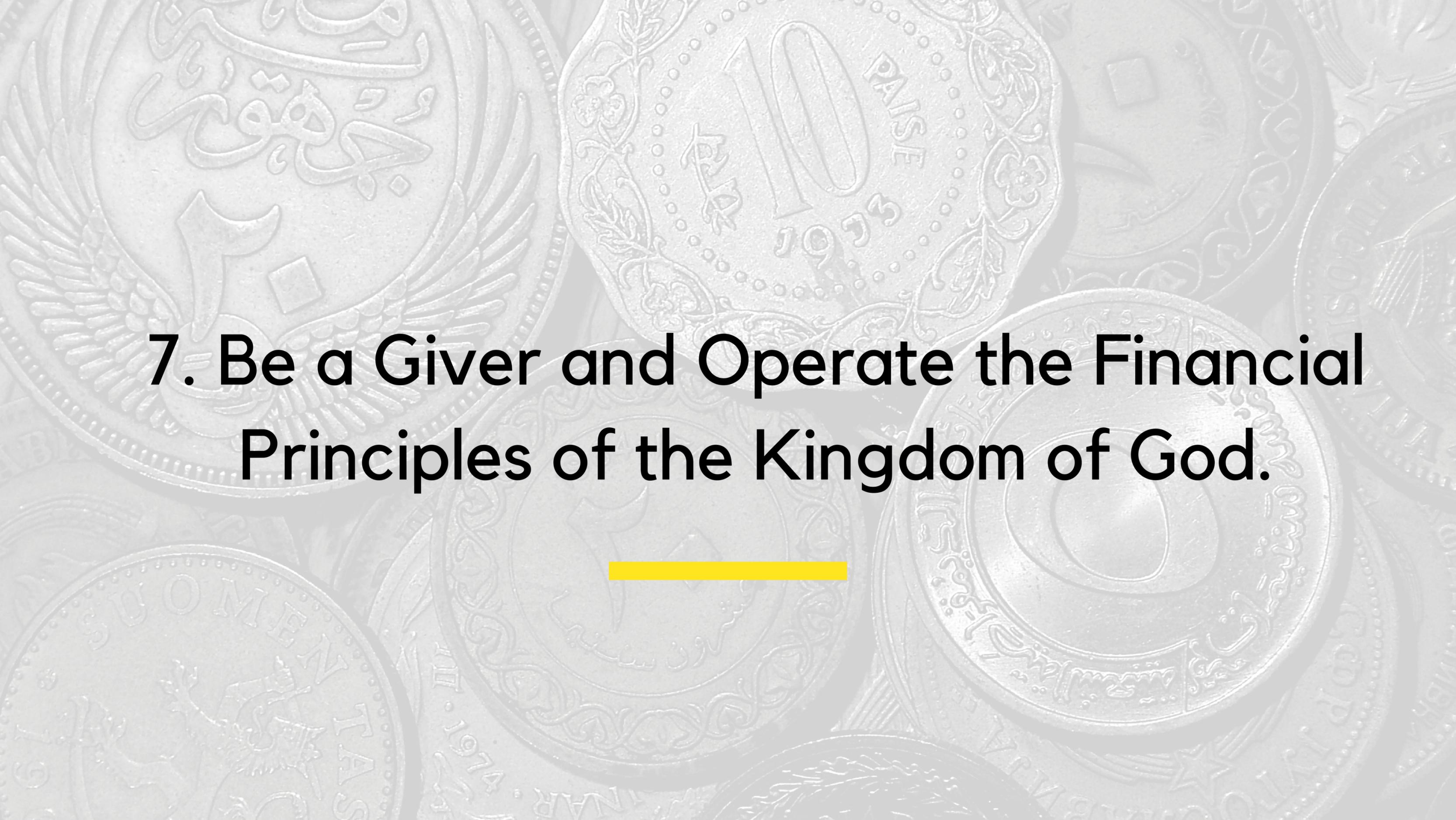
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**It is not your valuables that determine  
your value!**

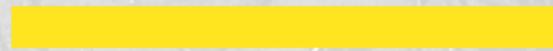
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**6. The Love of Money will Expose You  
to a Lot of Temptations.**

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# **7. Be a Giver and Operate the Financial Principles of the Kingdom of God.**



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**Giving is an antidote to the love of money.**

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**8. Carefully and Regularly Examine  
Your Motives.**

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**“Money is a good servant but a bad master.”**

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## Life in the Word Follow Up Chat Questions:

1. Is money evil? Why or why not?
2. Why does the Scriptures say the love of money is "a root of all kinds of evil?"
3. What kinds of "fruit" grow in people's lives when they love money?
4. Does the love of money sometimes get in the way of your walk with God?  
If so, how does it get in the way?
5. Is it wrong to be well off financially or to seek to improve your situation?  
Why or why not?
6. How can you protect yourself from loving money if you seek to improve your situation?
7. What are some ways you can overcome the love of money?
8. How can you apply this lesson to your spiritual walk?