

COMMUNITY GROUP GUIDE

Trusting God with our Finances – 9/20/2026

COMMUNION

Read and meditate on Matthew 6:24: *“No one can serve two masters... You cannot serve both God and money.”*

Communion reminds us that Jesus gave everything for us. At the cross, we see that God can be trusted with our lives because He has already demonstrated the depth of His love for us. Before receiving communion, quietly ask: “Jesus, is there anything in my life I am having difficulty surrendering to You?”

REVIEW

- Difficulty in giving and stress and anxiety over money often exposes a deeper question: Do I really trust God to take care of me?
- Scripture teaches that God is our true source and provider. We are stewards—people entrusted with His resources and given the opportunity to use them in ways that honor Him.
- Giving becomes an act of trust and an acknowledgment of the One from whom everything comes.
- In the Parable of the Talents, Jesus shows that how we use what God gives us reveals how we view God – as someone to trust or someone to fear
- Generosity is part of learning to trust God.
- Money can become a training ground for our spiritual lives. Learning to trust God with money helps us learn faith, obedience and dependence - the qualities we need to be entrusted with the true riches of the kingdom.
- Ultimately, generosity is a heart issue. Fear says, “There won't be enough.” Greed says, “I need more.” Both tempt us to look to money for the security, identity, and provision that should ultimately come from God. Jesus invites us to choose where we will place our trust.
- Surrender is not necessarily a one-time decision; it is repeatedly choosing to trust God rather than allowing money, worry, or fear to become our source of security.

DISCUSSION

1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Was there a story, Scripture, or idea that particularly challenged the way you think about money?
2. Liz thought she had surrendered everything to God until He brought up her finances. Why do you think money can be one of the more difficult areas of our lives to surrender to God?
3. The message described us as stewards rather than owners of what God has given us. How would viewing your money, time, abilities, and possessions as things entrusted to you by God change the way you use them?
4. Read Matthew 6:24 together. How can we recognize when money is beginning to take God's place as our source of security?
5. What might God be trying to teach you through the way you currently handle money or other resources He has entrusted to you?

PRAYER

Spend a few moments quietly inviting the Holy Spirit to search your heart. Then pray together:

- Thank God for being a faithful Father and provider.
- Ask Him to reveal any area where fear, greed, worry, or the desire for control has replaced trust in Him.
- Pray for wisdom to faithfully steward the money, time, relationships, gifts, and opportunities God has entrusted to you.
- Ask for courage to respond generously and obediently when God prompts you.
- Finish by declaring together: “Lord, You are our source. Help us trust You with everything You have placed in our hands.”