

Panning for Gold

“ Clarifying Truth About God, Money & The Church ”

1. It Requires Intentional Giving Matthew 6:19-21

2. It Requires Devotional Giving Mark 12:41-44



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

GROW GROUPS ARE CURRENTLY ON SUMMER BREAK

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons.

MONDAY // Read Matthew 6:19-21, Luke 12:13-20

- What primary warning was Jesus giving when it comes to "laying up treasures"? Why?
- What is required in order to "lay up"? How does this apply to intentional giving at PCC? Be specific.
- How does this challenge your current approach to giving? How do you feel God might be speaking to you?

TUESDAY // Read Matthew 6:19-21, Proverbs 6:6, 2 Corinthians 12:14, 1 Timothy 5:8, 6:17

- What are the different ways God wants Christians to be responsible with their money? Be specific.
- How does this relate to "treasures in heaven"? In what way can these two perspectives get out of balance?
- Where do you need to be more balanced? What specific steps is God challenging you to take this week?

WEDNESDAY // Read Luke 18:18-27, 1 Timothy 6:6-10, Ecclesiastes 5:10, Matthew 6:24

- In what way was Jesus testing the values and priorities of the young ruler in Luke 18? What was the result?
- How does our approach to money become a value statement? Left unchecked, why is this spiritually risky?
- How can money tempt you? What does your current spending reveal? How do you need to change?

THURSDAY // Read Mark 12:41, Leviticus 27:30-34, Numbers 18:21-24, Proverbs 3:9, Hebrews 7:5

- In what way were the Old Testament Jews required to give to the Lord? (i.e., "tithe")
- How did the tithe apply to all sources of gross income? How did this prevent spiritual loophole giving?
- How does your approach to giving compare? Ask God to reveal any spiritual loopholes you may be using.

FRIDAY // Read Mark 12:41-44, Luke 11:42, 2 Corinthians 9:11-15

- Based on the Old Testament tithing mandate, what percentage of income were the rich people giving in Mark 12?
- How does that contrast to the widow's giving? What does this imply about devotional giving?
- How does this challenge your current approach to giving at PCC? How can you be more devotional?

SATURDAY // Read Mark 12:43-44, Proverbs 3:9-10, 2 Corinthians 9:6-9, Matthew 6:25-33

- Explain the "reap and sow" principle when it comes to giving to God. How does this relate to the widow?
- When the average Christian gives 2-3% of their income to God, what does this reveal? What about you?
- In what way should giving to PCC be an act of faith? How does God want you to take more steps of faith?

MEDITATION VERSE: ¹⁹"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:19-21