

Round Two

“ Clarifying Truth About God, Money and The Church - Part 2 ”

1. It is a Very Serious Topic

vv. 1-6

2. Tithes & Offerings Won't be Easy

w. 7-11



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 Acts 5:1-6, Hebrews 12:5-11

- Explain why Ananias was confronted by Peter. How did this relate to tithes and offerings to the church?
- Given God's judgment/discipline of Ananias, what does this highlight about God's view on tithes and offerings?
- In what way is this also a spiritual battle? (i.e., "Satan filled your heart") How have you minimized the issue?

TUESDAY // Read Acts 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14-30

- What are two truths being presented in the Parable of the Talents? Be specific. How does this relate to Ananias?
- What does this reveal given today's Christian gives 2-3% of their income to the local church?
- How does this challenge your current approach to giving at PCC? How will you prevent an Ananias factor?

WEDNESDAY // Read Acts 5:1-6, Luke 18:18-30, 1 Timothy 6:17-19

- What was Jesus addressing by requiring the rich ruler to give away 100% of his money to the poor?
- How did he respond? Why? In what way was this more about priorities and not percentages?
- How is this also an Ananias issue? How does your giving to PCC reflect your spiritual priorities? Be specific.

THURSDAY // Read Acts 5:7-11, 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

- What was the primary difference between Ananias and Sapphira's decision to hold back money from God?
- In what way did Sapphira have an opportunity to repent? What was the result of her avoiding this opportunity?
- What does this reveal about the challenges when giving to God? How can you overcome this challenge?

FRIDAY // Read Acts 5:7-11, James 1:9-11, 2:1-7, 4:1-3, 4:13-17, 5:1-3

- Describe the context for each time James discusses money. Is it positive or negative? Why?
- How does this support the warning in Acts 5:7-11? What does this highlight about money in the Christian life?
- In what way do you see these same issues today? How is God speaking to you about giving your money?

SATURDAY // Read Acts 5:1-11, Matthew 6:19-21, Mark 12:41-44, 1 Corinthians 16:2

- In what way did God's judgment of Ananias and Sapphira reflect to the teachings of Jesus (i.e. treasures, offerings)?
- How do you think the seriousness of this topic, from God's perspective, is a surprise to most Christians today?
- What has God impressed on you over the past two weeks when it comes to stepping into this topic at PCC?

MEDITATION VERSE: *...whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.*

2 Corinthians 9:6-8