

More, More, More!

“ How to Avoid the Money Pit Trap ”

1. Keep Your Motives in Check v. 9

2. Keep a Daily Commitment to Jesus in Place v. 10



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 1 Timothy 6:9, James 1:14-15

- Explain the dangerous pattern Paul highlights when it comes to wanting to be rich. How have you seen this?
- Why will a "desire" always be something subtle and not easily noticed living in Orange County?
- In what way can you be lured into the money trap? Be specific. What has today's devotion revealed to you?

TUESDAY // Read 1 Timothy 6:9, James 4:6, Mark 9:35, Galatians 2:20, Matthew 6:26-33, Philippians 2:3

- Describe how a desire to be rich can actually be a sinful desire. What are some examples? (i.e., pride, power, etc.)
- What is implied about what it will do to your walk with Jesus? (i.e., sin separates you from God)
- How will keeping your motives in check help? What motive(s) is God prompting you to keep in check? Be specific.

WEDNESDAY // Read 1 Timothy 6:9, Acts 5:1-10

- Why did Peter confront Ananias and Sapphira about their giving to the Lord? What did this highlight about motive?
- How did they fall into the 1 Timothy 6:9 trap? Be specific. In what way could they have done the same thing?
- Given God's response, what does this highlight about the seriousness of the issue? How does this adjust you?

THURSDAY // Read 1 Timothy 6:10, Matthew 6:24, 1 Peter 5:8

- How is the warning in 1 Tim. 6:10 the same or different than v. 9? Be specific. How will Satan try to use money?
- Explain the distinction between having money and money having you. (i.e., love, craving, etc.)
- Why is this important? (i.e., two masters) How should this impact your daily walk with Jesus? What will you do?

FRIDAY // Read 1 Timothy 6:10, Luke 18:18-27, Matthew 19:23

- Given the rich ruler was a spiritual man, in what way were his desires and motives misplaced?
- How did Jesus expose this by challenging his view of money? How can you relate to the rich ruler?
- In what way will your ability to be generous and let go of money reveal the true master in your life?

SATURDAY // Read 1 Timothy 6:9-10, Matthew 27:1-5, James 5:1-6

- How is Judas the ultimate example of 1 Tim. 6:9-10? What ultimately happened to Judas and his love of money?
- In what way does this illustrate the root of what is happening in today's materialistic world? (murder, war, etc.)
- How do the sobering words of James 5:1-6 challenge you? How can you better protect yourself from this trap?

MEDITATION VERSE: ⁹But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

1 Timothy 6:9-10