

Note to Leaders: Every Link is Different. Don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group

## INTRODUCTION

We see the world as we are taught to see it. As a result, we hold to views that hold us back. But when we see as God sees, we are more inclined to do as God says. This is even true in the area of our nances. God sees money as a tool. He sees money as a test. He sees money as a trademark, indicating we belong to him. If we attune ourselves to his perspective, it can revolutionize the role of nances in our lives.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. When you were growing up, what were you taught about managing money? Did that advice help or harm you
- 2. Read Luke 16:1–15. Because of their love of money, the Pharisees sneered at Jesus' parable. Are there parts of the parable that you resist or that make you uncomfortable? If so, which parts are they? Why do they make you uncomfortable?
- 3. Respond to the idea that your money and possessions are tools to be used to introduce others to Jesus. How are you challenged by that idea?
- 4. During the message, Ps. Daniel said, "How we manage what we assume is ours reflects our devotion to the One to whom it actually belongs." Do you agree? Why or why not?
- 5. Would a person know you belong to God based on the way you manage your money and possessions? Why or why not?
- 6. At The Rocks], we believe in giving a percentage giving to God through the local church (including Kingdom Builders for our building fund). Share with the group what has been your joy and/or struggle in your percentage giving and/or Kingdom Builders.

## **MOVING FORWARD**

You have a little bit of time and limited resources. Your money is a tool, test, and a trademark. You won't get to the end of life and wish you'd given less and consumed more. Use your money well. Look for ways to use it all to introduce others to Jesus before you run out of time. It says something about you. It indicates whose you are.

## **CHANGING YOUR MIND**

"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." Luke 16:13