

## Money Myths Exposed – Week 2

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**Truth: You can't be a fully devoted follower of Christ without \_\_\_\_\_ your finances to God.**

I. Mo' Money

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Philippians 4:10-13

*I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup>I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup>I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup>I can do everything through him who gives me strength.*

- The secret is not in the \_\_\_\_\_ but the \_\_\_\_\_.
- If you aren't content where you \_\_\_\_\_, you will not be content where you \_\_\_\_\_ to be.

**Truth: Money isn't the solution, but \_\_\_\_\_ is.**

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II. The Mystery of Margin

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Marginless living results in two outcomes

1. You rob \_\_\_\_\_
  - Life without \_\_\_\_\_ will affect you financially, relationally, emotionally, professionally, and spiritually.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ happens in the margin.
2. You rob \_\_\_\_\_
  - When you rob God financially, you remove his \_\_\_\_\_ from your financial life.
  - Most Christians " \_\_\_\_\_ " their way out of being good stewards.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ is a greater deterrent to stewardship than \_\_\_\_\_.
  - We build \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives by not giving.
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