

Sermon Supplement from August 4

Proverbs #8 - Money

WARM UP – *Have you ever...*

- Spent money just to impress someone
- Shopped irresponsibly with a credit card
- Wished you could have things you can't afford
- Bought something you didn't need or even want
- Bought something because you were jealous of someone else's stuff
- Bought something just to make yourself feel better

DIG IN

Use the following Proverbs to gauge your attitude toward money. What do these verses reveal?

If money is your god...

1. You will use money to impress people (12:9, 13:7)
2. You will spend beyond your means (21:17)
3. You will use people to get money (20:17, 21:6, 28:8)
4. You will be eager to get rich and chase easy money (28:19-20)
5. You will lend and borrow irresponsibly (22:7; 22:26-27)
6. You will pursue money at the expense of more important things (23:4-5)
7. You will put your hope in your money (11:28; 18:11)

If money is your gift...

1. You will use your money to honor God (3:9-10)
2. You will use money to bless others (11:24-25; 22:9)
3. You will be diligent in work (10:4; 13:11)
4. You will have a responsible savings plan (21:20; 6:6-8)
5. You will have a heart for the hurting (14:21; 19:17; 28:27)
6. You will steward your gift well (27:23-27)
7. You will leave a legacy (13:22)

WRAP UP

*Read the following "Better... Than..." verses from the book of Proverbs and discuss why **Quality of Life** is more important than **Standard of Living**: 15:16; 15:17; 16:8; 17:1; 28:6*

In what ways do Jesus' words from Matthew 6:24 challenge your attitude toward money?

*In what ways is the Spirit using the Word to convict you about your attitude toward money?
What needs to change?*

Resource: *Money: God or Gift* (2014 Edition); Jamie Munson