MATTHEW 6:19-24 / NOVEMBER 8

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

Read and Pray

This week's sermon focuses on Jesus' teaching about money and generosity. With your group, read Matthew 6:19–24. Jesus challenges us to consider what we treasure, how money shapes our hearts, and whom we ultimately serve. After reading, spend time in silent prayer. What stood out to you? What might the Holy Spirit be pressing into your life?

Sermon Recap (to *apply*, not rehash the sermon)

Review the sermon with your group. Focus especially on:

- **Do the Math**: Earthly treasures won't last. Invest in what will matter for eternity.
- **Check Your Vision**: Where we put our treasure shapes what we love and how we see the world.
- **Choose Your Master**: Money promises security and control, but we cannot serve both God and money.
- **Practice Generosity and Remember His Generosity**: Giving trains our hearts to love what Jesus loves, and his sacrifice makes our generosity possible.

Group Discussion

1. Why do you think money can be such a difficult subject for Christians to discuss openly? What makes it especially challenging?
2. Look again at Matthew 6:19–24. What contrasts does Jesus make between earthly and heavenly treasure? What do these contrasts teach us about money?
3. In verse 21, Jesus says, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." How does the way we use our money shape what we love rather than simply reveal it?
4. The sermon explained how money can distort our vision without us realizing it. Where might money be influencing your decisions more than you would like to admit?
5. Jesus reminds us that we cannot serve both God and money. What would it look like for you to trust God more fully with your finances? How might remembering Jesus' generosity toward you help?

WEEKLY REFLECTION QUESTIONS

REFLECT:
What does the way you spend and save reveal about what you treasure most?

RESPOND:
What is one step you can take this week toward greater generosity or faithful stewardship?

REACH:
How could you use what God has given you to help someone else know or experience the love of Jesus?

PRAYER

- ☐ Ask God to reveal where money has become a greater source of security than he is.
- ☐ Thank Jesus for giving himself for us, and ask him to grow our hearts in generosity.
- ☐ Pray for wisdom and faith to steward everything God has given us for his kingdom.