

Sunday Morning,
November 16

Services @8:30 & 10:45

Sunday School for ALL
Ages: 9:50-10:35

"Money"

JOHN 17: 14-16

"We are in
the world
but not of
the world."

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“A nickel ain’t worth a dime anymore!

Yogi Berra

I made my money the old fashioned way.
I was very nice to a wealthy relative right
before he died.

Malcolm Forbes

Rich and poor have this in common.
The LORD is the maker of them all.
(Proverbs 22:2)

Pagan, atheist, or Christian... we all need money to survive in this world. Being a citizen of heaven does not change that. But it changes everything about our attitude toward money.

I need money... BUT...

I **refuse** to **worry** (instead, I ask and trust God)

...my **self-worth** is as great as anyone
who has lots of money.

Gabby Bernstein – “True abundance isn’t based on our net worth, it’s based on our self-worth.”

I realize that many other things are
actually **more important**.

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper and be in good health just as [even as] your soul prospers. (*111 John 1:2*)

What could be more important than money?
Health, mind, integrity, time, family, friends,
eternal life, relationship with God, peace,
freedom, etc., etc.

“Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything that counts can be counted.”

- Albert Einstein

I realize that God may be using my management of what I have as a TEST of whether I should have more.

... Perpetual borrowing is **not** going to be my
answer.

“Money often costs too much.”

Ralph W. Emerson

I am **content** with what I **have**.

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid.”

(Hebrews 13:5-6)

I am going to **give** money away in spite of that!

“... the grace of God has given the Macedonian churches. Out of their overflowing joy and extreme POVERTY there welled up a rich GENEROSITY. I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability... they pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service.” *(11 Cor. 8:1-4)*

N.V. Peele “Empty pockets never held anyone back. Only empty heads and empty hearts can do that.”

The Bible tells us to give tithe (10%) and offerings... even if “I need money” myself. Why? These gifts express

- a) gratitude**
- b) commitment/obedience**
- c) faith**

FAITH? “...not reluctantly, for God loves a cheerful GIVER. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all you need, you will abound in every good work... He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will increase your store of seed and will enlarge your harvest of righteousness.”

You will be made rich in every way so that
you can be generous on every occasion...”
(11 Cor. 9:6-11)

*Only someone who has FAITH in God
would believe this or respond in this way.

... at the same time, I do have
something better than money!

(Acts 3:1-10) “Then Peter said, “Look at us!”
So, the man gave them his attention
expecting to GET SOMETHING from them.
Then Peter said, “Silver or gold [money] I
do not have, but WHAT I DO HAVE I give to
you. In the name of Jesus Christ of
Nazareth, walk!”