

HANDLE WITH CARE

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Wealth is worthless in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death.

— Proverbs 11:4 (NIV)

But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

— Deuteronomy 8:18 (NIV)



EVERY NATION
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HOOK

 Start the conversation by saying...

Glassware is useful for drinking, storing, and serving food, but it easily breaks if dropped.

ENGAGE

 Go deeper with this...

What is the last thing you broke?

LINK

 Connect to God's truth by sharing...

- Guess what . . . Money, too, must be handled with care.
- The Bible teaches both the value of money and its dangers.
- Money is a useful tool and helpful for life. It's also a blessing from God.
- In fact, money is an indicator of character. The Bible shows that God blesses those who are content, good stewards, hard-working, and faithful.
- However, money is a dangerous master. Once we fall in love with money, it can consume us.
- The Bible warns that money will never satisfy us; it will not save us from death; and it tries to take the place of God.
- It's good to have money, but the pursuit and desire for money can become your god.
- When we are in Christ, He gives us the grace to trust Him, be generous, and invest in what's truly valuable.

PAUSE

 Pick a question and pray together...

Discuss Together (*pick one*)

- What are things that are truly valuable? (Spiritually, relationally, physically) How can you invest in these things?
- What is your current perspective on money? What do you believe being a good steward looks like?

Pray Together (*pick one*)

- Pray that you will understand the blessing that money is, as well as the dangers the Bible warns us about.
- Pray to receive God's revelation on how to steward your finances well and invest your resources on what is truly valuable.

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19“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth 20But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

— Matthew 6:19–21 (NIV)

“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.”

— Matthew 6:24 (NIV)