

# MONEY MYTHS

WARM UP

The Church Just Wants My Money

**What's one thing you have learned recently?**

SET IT UP

One of the most common myths in our culture is “The church just wants my money.” Unfortunately, this myth has been reinforced by questionable practices and high-profile scandals in churches and ministries of all kinds. Although we can't speak for other churches, we can say that at Parker Hill, giving isn't about getting people's money, it's about changing people's hearts.

CHAT IT UP

1. **Have you ever sighed and said, “This is the life.” What were you doing?**
2. **Share about a time you met someone else's needs. How did it make you feel?**
3. **Read 1 Timothy 5:6. What happens to the person who *always* lives for their own pleasure?** (Answer: Ironically, they don't get the pleasure, joy, or happiness they seek.)
4. Say something like: Always getting what we want doesn't lead to the most fulfilling life. Vacations are not bad, they are just not as life-giving as giving to others with our life.
5. In the message, Mark challenged us to be a pitcher (giver) and not a container (consumer). **Which one describes you more right now? Why?**
6. **What keeps people from being more generous? What would it look like for you to become more generous?**
7. **Dream a little. What could happen in our communities, schools, workplaces, and around the world if we all became more generous at Parker Hill?**

WRAP IT UP

There is an invisible chain connecting our hearts to our wallets. Where our money goes, so does our hearts. Being rich isn't really about having wealth, it's about being generous. Pray about taking your next step in the area of generosity.

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## LEADER TIPS

- For your group, the application of this series may be to jump in and serve somewhere in the community. We encourage every group to partner with organizations in the community and help them advance their mission. Try to find a way to serve this month. You can look for ideas before your group meets at [parkerhill.org/outreach](http://parkerhill.org/outreach) (click the Local Impact link).