

Student Ministry

Money is a master, but
Jesus is the Good
Shepherd.

October 4, 2017

Change

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10/04 7:00P	in mins	
6:00p	0:00	Notes: Preaching: Jason Kramme Sermon draft #1: August 7th Text:
6:00p	30:00	Freestyle
6:30p	15:00	Leader Huddle
6:45p	15:00	Spotify Playlist
Worship		
7:00p	0:00	Worship Notes - Coin foam things to hang around the room -
7:00p	0:00	<i>Your Love Awakens Me</i>
7:00p	2:00	Welcome - Leader Welcome to StuMin! It is great to have you here. My name is _____ and I lead _____ for student ministry and on behalf of everyone that calls this place home, i want to say "welcome." I want to help you welcome one another now. I have quick challenge for you. I want you to _____. We'll play some music over the top. 3,2,1 go! ::music::
7:02p	0:00	monkey ticket intro

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7:02p **10:00 Game - same Leader as welcome**

I need the students with the following monkey tickets!

::pick tickets::

Hello, on the count of three, shout your names so that we all know who you are.

Everyone, say hello to the name you heard!

Here is how the game works

::instructions::

Let's play.

SESSION 1 GAME: I'll Buy That!
(Play this game as an icebreaker to Session 1.)

Where: This is an inside game.

Supplies Needed: \$1000 Monopoly money (in small bills) for each small group, boxes filled with prizes and labeled with one-word descriptions. (see box suggestions below)

Number of Participants: 5-10 small groups

Game Length: 10 minutes

Grossness Level: None

Risk Level: Low

Instructions:

Before the session: Pack 5-10 boxes with the prizes below. Give each small group an envelope with play money.

During the session: Present a box to all of the groups. Warn them that some boxes are awesome and some are....not. They may bid to "win" the box, but whatever they bid, they lose. For example, if group A bids \$100 and group B bids \$200, group B wins but group A still loses their \$100 bid. Winning groups get to keep whatever is in the box.

Would you please give our contestants a hand! you may have a seat.

7:12p	0:00	<i>King Of My Heart</i>
7:12p	5:00	<i>Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)</i>
7:17p	1:00	Change Intro Video

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7:18p **2:00** **Message intro**

Money is awesome. I mean seriously. Who doesn't like to have a little cash in their pocket? Every now and then when you have a birthday, payday from the yogurt shop, or a surprise handout from your grandma, everything just feels right in the world doesn't it? When you think about it, the way money works is kind of crazy. I mean, you can hand someone a few pieces of green paper with pictures of dead people on them, and they give back to you a grande mocha caramel Frappuccino with extra whip? Who came up with that system? And most of the time, you don't even need actual money in your wallet or purse. You can pick out some new shoes, swipe your dad's credit card, and they let you walk right out of the store with them. Unbelievable.

It may not be your personal money, but somebody's money is making all of this possible for you. Somebody is picking up the bill for you to eat, get from one place to another, and shower in hot water.

So unless you are Bear Grylls from Man vs. Wild (remember that show?), you can't live without money. And even that joker was always wearing about a thousand dollars worth of gear from REI in order to survive on "nothing." I mean, what would do if you had zero access to any money whatsoever? No, literally: what do you actually think you would do? Go out into the woods behind your house and hunt for food with a homemade bow and arrow? Probably not.

7:20p **3:30** **Message -Tension**

So we all need money. But here's a question for you: do you ever wish you had more money? Have you ever thought, "If I just had a little more money, life would be way easier"? Or, "With more money, I could have a ridiculous wardrobe, help my parents pay their bills, and follow Ed Sheeran around the globe"? Some jealousy, some greed, some not so wholesome stuff comes to the surface.

No matter what you'd do with it, raise your hand if you'd like to have more money right now. Why is that? What is it in us that wants more money than we have? Personally, I have never met someone who said, "No man, I'm good. I have enough money. In fact, do you want some of mine? I have too much of this stuff laying around."

On the other hand, there are some of you who live in families where money isn't a problem. You're comfortable. So, when you look out at the world, there is strange tension that rises up in you. The question "why do I have something when they don't?" bubbles up to the surface. Along with some guilt, some shame, some insecurity.

Oddly enough, we approach money as if it is just a "thing" like it's "nothing" like it doesn't affect us and we just affect it, but I think that we all know that isn't true. In fact, money has a significant effect on us every single day. Our Bottom line for tonight is this: Money is a master, but Jesus is Lord. Let's take a look at the Bible and I'll show you

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7:23:30p **4:00 Message - Truth**

At the core of our message about what Jesus comes to do for us and in us is found in the Gospel of John, Chapter 10 verse 10. This verse comes at the end of a conversation Jesus is having about the way that he is a “good shepherd” who loves, serves, and lays his life down for his sheep—that’d be us. Now he is comparing himself to the other “shepherds” the other “masters” and the other “lords” that call for your attention. So, he gets to the end of this text and he says, whereas all of these masters come to steal, kill, and destroy, I have come that you might have “life.” Life.

At the heart of Jesus’ work in and through you is the birth of life out of brokenness.

This is in contrast with the very real masters, powers, and lords out there that really don’t have your best interest in mind. One of those masters that Jesus calls out is money. In the Gospel of Matthew in chapter 19 verses 16-22 we meet a young man. Here’s the story ::read it::

The subtext of this conversation is that we have a young man who is trying to have “life”—to be happy, to feel joy, to be connected to God. He had been trying to do it by keeping rules and obeying commandments. But, apparently he still felt incomplete, insecure, and not quite alive. Jesus identifies that this young man was in love with money and tells him that if he wants the life that he is seeking, the money is going to have to go because you can’t serve both.

Like a lot of us who hear this message, it is hard for the young man, so he goes away with a lot to think about.

I think that Jesus’ message is the same to us: Jesus says to you,

“I am the good shepherd.”

“I lay my life down for my sheep.”

“my sheep know me and I know them.”

“I have come that you might have life.”

At the same time, money says to us:

“you need me to be happy.”

“if you had more of me people would like you better.”

“there is a right amount of me to have, but I’m not going to tell you.”

“If you want life, you have to have me.”

7:27:30p **3:00 Message - Application**

So what do we do about this imposter Lord in our lives?

I want to suggest a few things:

1. Make a list of your encounters with money this week – To begin to be intentional about your relationship to something, you first have to be conscious and honest with how pervasive it is in your life.
2. Pay attention to the feelings those situation draw out of you – are they negative, positive, what is money saying to you?
3. Listen to the shepherds voice – Jesus promises that his sheep, his people, will be able to hear his voice over the din of the other masters in the world. Including money. What will you hear when you hear that voice? You’ll hear words of life. Words of affirmation. Words of truth about who you are and whose you are.

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7:30:30p 2:00 Message Landing

I think that when you start to do this, you will stop serving money as one of the many masters in your life. Rather, you will start using money as a means of helping Jesus bring more life to your story and to the stories of other people through you. You'll create real change.

That is the heart of this month: in what ways can we approach what we have been given—including money—to being change and life into the lives of the people around us. Next week we are going to hear Brent Silkey's story. Brent grew up here and is now On our final week, we are going to hear from Brendan Rehborg about an awesome opportunity we have coming up next summer.

7:32:30p 6:00 Communion

As Jason said, money isn't just a thing that we have or we don't have. It is something can have real power in our lives. But, if we use it well it can be a real power for positive change in us and through us for other people. So, tonight as you give of your time, your money, and your talents, keep that potential for change in mind. Your small group leaders will now distribute the offering cards. You can bring the to the front as you come for communion.

PPG Freestyle communion

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7:38:30p 1:00 Closing Prayer - PPG

Jesus you are the Good Shepherd whose voice we long to hear. Help us to listen to you when all of the masters in the world, including money, are calling out to us to do things that don't bring life. Give us courage to invest ourselves, our time, and our money in the change you want to bring into the world. and continue to teach us to pray the prayer your son taught us to pray

Lords prayer

7:39:30p 3:00 Announcements

Monty Python Fanfare

::group of six riders on stick horses approaches from the back of the sanctuary. Comes to the stage, fake bridle horses, face congregation. trumpets play fanfare. reader unfurls scroll and reads announcements. after each announcement, trumpets play fanfare.::

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7:00P	mins	
7:42:30p	5:00	<p>Closing Challenge - Put it to work Put it to Work</p> <p>The real challenge that Jesus gave to the rich young ruler was to put his money and possessions to work. What's that mean? Jesus wanted the man to use what he had first been given by God for the sake and life of other people. The first century world, like our own, was filled with people at the margins who needed help from people with means.</p> <p>What can you put to work? Certainly, I'm not expecting that you have money like a rich young ruler, but you have been blessed with a variety of other gifts that can change the world. Here is a list:</p> <p>Time – The upside of living in the developed world is that we have plenty of TIME on our hands because we don't need to walk five miles to school each day. What could you do with your time that would bless people?</p> <p>Talent – Our StuMin community is LOADED with talent: writers, scientists, naturalists, athletes, performers, debaters, communicators—how might you use these talents to bless people?</p> <p>Relationships – Whether you know it or not, you have friends in high places. Teachers, parents, coaches, administrators, legislators—how might you leverage these relationships to bless people?</p> <p>Location – You live in one of the greatest communities and areas in the country. How could you leverage where we sit on a map and in relationship to other places to bless others?</p> <p>Opportunity – Each day windows open, conversations happen, things roll past your news feed where you can bless people. How might you use those opportunities to bless people?</p> <p>Education – You are a part of the most highly educated generation the world has ever known. How might you leverage what you have learned and can learn to bless other people?</p>
7:47:30p	1:00	<p>Lord's Prayer All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.</p>
7:48:30p	0:00	<p>Benediction - Jason Please stand for the benediction:</p> <p>As you go from here today, may Jesus, the Good Shepherd, lead you into life and life to the full.</p> <p>Go in peace and serve the Lord,</p> <p>Thanks be to God</p>

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7:48:30p 5:00 Spotify Playlist

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