

## **Talking About Money**

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How much time does your congregation spend talking about money? Some would immediately shout out that their church talks about money much too much.

How often does your pastor preach about money? One Sunday? Two Sundays?

When you stop and think about how much of our lives revolve around money and how dependent we are on money and how important money is to us we probably should be spending many more Sundays engaged with preaching about money.

I challenge you to take one week during the next month and to pray over every penny you have to spend. Ask the question of how God would have you use these pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, dollars, and so on. And as we pay the bills and make purchases may we dedicate everything to God's purposes.

In doing so we may find that God has other plans for the dollars we thought we might use for buying that new shirt. We may discover other uses for those dollars we might use to purchase cigarettes or snacks.

We might learn a lot in that one week about our relationship with God as well as our relationship with money.