Title: Faithful in the very little

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Message

Luke 16:10-13 (ESV)

¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

A: four truths about money

What is Jesus teaching in this passage about money?

A1: money is seen as "very little"

Luke 16:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much.

A2: money is a measure for trust

Luke 16:11 (ESV)

¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches?

A3: money does not belong to you

Luke 16:12 (ESV)

¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own?

A4: money can become your god

Luke 16:10-13 (ESV)

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B: making money your servant

How can we be faithful with money?

B1: budgeting and planning

Proverbs 20:18

Plans are established by counsel; By wise counsel wage war.

Proverbs 21:5

The plans of the diligent lead surely to plenty, But those of everyone who is hasty, surely to poverty.

B2: heavenly investing

Matthew 6:19-21

¹⁹ Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰ but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

- How to lay up treasures in heaven:
 1.) Giving into the storehouse.
 2.) Giving to the poor.
 3.) Giving in faith as the Holy Spirit leads.