

DISCIPLINES THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE

3. THE DISCIPLINE OF GIVING

Just some short notes this week as we've suspended Hubs for our Prayer Night. Kick off by inviting reflections on the talk. How did people find it? Anything particularly stand out for you? Any new ways of looking at money and what Scripture says?

Read Matthew 6.19-24

- What's your experience of giving? Is it something you've practised successfully as a discipline?
- Jesus talked about 'money' as being a Master for us – something in direct competition with God that can enslave us. Can you identify with this at all? Have you ever felt controlled by materialism or money worries?
- Philip said that Money can 'supercharge our passion'. Do you agree?
- Jesus spoke about us having a 'healthy eye' or an 'evil eye'. How is your perspective on finance – do you have an abundance mentality or a scarcity mentality?
- What is your goal for giving in this season? How will you apply this message?

BIG IDEA: Practising the regular Discipline of Giving has a huge impact on our relationship with Father God. It supercharges our Passion for Him, putting the Vision back into provision, so we live lives full of light, not controlled by Money.

Take a little moment to make sure everyone knows how to set up giving to church. Direct the group to woodlandsmetro.com/giving but make sure people don't feel pressured to give. Keep it as a personal discipleship choice.

Take some time to pray together. Share any money worries or pressures you may have. Pray for God's provision, pray that He puts the vision back into provision for us. Pray for the work of the church and the finance for that to happen as it should.