

#### **SERMON OUTLINE OCTOBER 18, 2015**

#### "Your Money or Your Life?"

Mark 10:23&25; Ecclesiastes 5:15

**INTRODUCTION:** How would <u>you</u> answer the question: "Your money or your life?"

## I. JESUS WAS ASKING WILL IT BE YOUR \$\$\$ OR YOUR LIFE

- A. He spoke about camels & eyes of needles (Mark 10:23 & 25)
- B. St. Paul spoke about the <u>love</u> of money as the root of all evil (1 Timothy 6:10)
- C. Money is the #1 topic spoken about in the Bible (Can you believe it?)

# II. KING SOLOMON ASKED WILL IT BE YOUR \$\$\$ OR YOUR LIFE

- A. Solomon "had it all" but at life's end found it to be meaningless
- B. Ecclesiastes 5:15 "Funeral hearses don't pull U-Haul trailers!"
- C. These words of warning are not just for rich people . . .

### III. BUT THE BIBLE ALSO HAS GOOD THINGS TO SAY ABOUT \$\$\$

- A. Ecclesiastes 5: It is a gift of God
- B. Jeremiah 9: We can use it to God's glory
- C. Matthew 6: Though our true treasure is in heaven, God will care for our needs now
- D. 2 Corinthians 8:9 Through Jesus' *poverty*, we have become *rich*
- E. The question is no longer *your money or your life?*, but: how may I use my life & all God has given me to praise Him & tell Him I love Him?

**CONCLUSION**: The legend of Zaccheus: A life of thankfulness