

## Color of Money August 22, 2014

“The beauty of the gospel is that God sees us as is, loves us as is, receives us as is, but never leaves us as is.” Tim Keller

Matthew 6:21,24

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (vs.21)

“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money. (vs.24)

- Money is a door way to discipleship
- Money is a battle ground of discipleship

4 Colors of money:

- (Gold) Give it- (Mal.3:8, 1 Cor.16 and 2 Cor.8,9, Is.55:1)
- (Green) Save it- (Prov.13:22, Prov. 21:20, Ecc.5:10)
- (Blue) Spend it- (Prov. 27:23-24, Heb. 13:5, Mt. 6:25, Jas. 4:3)
- (Red) Repay debt-(Rom. 13:8, Pro.22:7, Dt.28:12)

Dealing with the Blue Box: “Spend less than you earn”

- You can live on less when you have more to live for.

**Change in perspective.** The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. <sup>46</sup>When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it. **Matt.13:44-46**

**Change in priorities.** But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. **Matt. 6:33**

**Change in purpose.** Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. **1 Tim. 6:18**

Downgrade so that others can upgrade.

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death even death on a cross! **Philippians 2:6-8**

Questions:

- How much is enough?
- Why has God given you more than you need?
- I believe God would have me \_\_\_\_\_.

Next Steps:

- 90 day tithe Challenge
- Register for Dave Ramsey Class
- free financial counseling with Jim Merz