

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Open your group with a prayer. Use this sheet as a guide; select the points you want to discuss.

GETTING STARTED

- What would you do if you won the mega million-dollar lottery?
- 2. Do you think winning would make you a better Christian or a worse one? Why?

DIGGING DEEPER

- 3. Read 1 Tim 6:3-5. What are the characteristics of false teachers? By implication, what are true teachers like?
- 4. Read Matt 6:24. Why can't we pursue God and wealth simultaneously?
- 5. Why is loving money dangerous (v.10)? See Prov 30:7-9; Mark 8:36.
- 6. Read Matt 25:14-30 and relate to 1Tim 6:17-19. What principles of stewardship emerge?
- 7. What makes a rich person "arrogant" about his wealth (6:17)?

- 8. Why is generosity commanded for the wealthy (v.18)?
- 9. Read 2Cor 9:7-8. What blessings does God promise the cheerful giver?

LIVING IT OUT

- 10. What are some prevalent false teachings attacking the church today?
- 11. Have you ever known someone who fell into false teaching? How did it occur?
- 12. Why is contentment so difficult?
- 13. How can we know if we're putting our hope in wealth or in God?
- 14. How does the prospect of a reward affect your giving?
- 15. Divide your group in half to debate the merits of this statement (half pro, half con): "Keep money last on your list of reasons for making any significant decision in your life."

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"...take hold of the life that is truly life."

-1 Timothy 6:19c NIV

