



DAY 1

Recognizing Modern Idols

Reading: **1 Timothy 6:6-10**

Devotional: In our consumer-driven society, it's easy to fall into the trap of idolizing money and possessions. Today's passage reminds us that "godliness with contentment is great gain" and warns against the love of money. Reflect on areas in your life where you might be placing too much importance on material wealth. How can you shift your focus towards godliness and contentment? Remember, true riches are found in our relationship with God, not in earthly possessions. Today, practice gratitude by listing three blessings in your life that money can't buy.

DAY 2

Serving One Master

Reading: **Matthew 6:19-24**

Devotional: : Jesus presents a stark choice in today's reading: we cannot serve both God and money. This doesn't mean wealth is inherently evil, but rather that our hearts should be fully devoted to God. Consider where your treasure truly lies. Are you storing up earthly treasures or heavenly ones? Examine your priorities and spending habits. Do they reflect a heart that serves God or one that serves money? Challenge yourself to make one decision today that prioritizes your spiritual wealth over material gain.

DAY 3

The Joy of Generosity

Reading: **2 Corinthians 9:6-15**

Devotional: God loves a cheerful giver, and today's passage emphasizes the blessings that come from generosity. Giving isn't just about the amount, but about the heart behind it. Reflect on your attitude towards giving. Do you give reluctantly or joyfully? Remember that all we have comes from God, and giving is an opportunity to participate in His work. Consider a way you can give generously today – whether through your time, talents, or resources. As you give, do so with a heart of thanksgiving, recognizing God's abundant grace in your life.

DAY 4

Finding Contentment in Christ

Reading: **Philippians 4:11-13**

Devotional: Paul's secret to contentment in every situation was his reliance on Christ's strength. In a world that constantly tells us we need more, contentment

can seem elusive. Yet, true satisfaction comes from our relationship with Jesus, not our circumstances. Reflect on times when you've felt discontent. How might focusing on Christ change your perspective? Today, practice contentment by intentionally appreciating what you have rather than focusing on what you lack. Remember, through Christ, you have the strength to be content in any situation.

DAY 5

Trusting in God's Provision

Reading: *Matthew 6:25-34*

Devotional: Worry about finances can consume us, but Jesus teaches us to trust in God's provision. Today's passage reminds us that if God cares for the birds and flowers, how much more will He care for us? This doesn't mean we shouldn't be responsible with our resources, but rather that we should not let anxiety about money control our lives. Reflect on areas where you struggle to trust God's provision. How can you practically demonstrate faith in this area? Today, whenever you feel worried about finances or material needs, turn that worry into a prayer, seeking first God's kingdom and trusting in His faithfulness.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

To help you continue your journey, here is a list of resources focused on biblical financial principles and spiritual growth.

1. Books

- *Counterfeit Gods* by Tim Keller
- *The Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn
- *Redeeming Money: How God Reveals and Reorients Our Hearts* by Paul David Tripp
- *God Money & Me* by Paul de Jong
- *Thriving in Love & Money* by Shaunti and Jeff Feldhahn
- *The Genius of Generosity* by Chip Ingram

2. Websites and Ministries

- *Crown Financial Ministries*: www.crown.org
- *Compass—Finances God's Way*: www.compass1.org
- *Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University*: www.daveramsey.com

3. Video and Small Group Material

- *God Money & Me*: by Paul de Jong (Rightnow Media)
- *Thriving in Love & Money & Love*: by Shaunti and Jeff Feldhahn (Right Now Media)
- *MoneyWise*: by Adam Tarnow (Rightnow Media)