

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step. If you are leading a group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out those questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.

- What is one of the stupidest things you have ever done with your money? What did you learn from your experience?

With your Bible or YouVersion, read **Proverbs 22:7**, **Proverbs 21:20**, **Luke 14:28** and **Proverbs 29:18**. These verses show us that to be wealthy, you have to be weird when it comes to finances.

- Why do so many of us tend to make mistakes with our money instead of being smart with it?
- What are some of the things you have learned about money that are not true?
- Our wallets are tied to our hearts. If someone looked at your checkbook, what would it say about your heart based on the way you spend your money?
- What behaviors do you need to modify to become weirder in the way you handle your finances?
- In what ways could you be a more effective witness for Christ if you were in full control of your finances?
- How would your life change if you were completely debt free? If you are debt free, share what impact it has had on your life and what steps you took to become debt free.
- How have your finances benefitted from using a budget? If you are not using a budget, what is keeping you from creating one?
- What steps do you need to take to become a more cheerful giver?

NEXT STEPS

Here are some specific things you can do this week that will help you become weirder in the way you handle your money:

Pick up a copy of Pastor Craig's book entitled *Weird*. In this book, you will learn how to stop your normal way of thinking when it comes to such things as money, time, sex, relationships and your values and start thinking weird in a God way. You can pick up the book at most local Christian bookstores and at online book retailers.

Go through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University program. FPU is one of the best programs available for learning how to manage your finances in a Biblical way. Learn more at <http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home/>. FPU LifeGroups are already meeting or will be starting soon at your campus. Check with your campus team for additional details.

5-Day Micro Devotional:

- Confess to God some of the foolish things you have done with His money. Ask for His help in stopping these behaviors.
- Commit to God that you will make the necessary changes to your behavior so that you can become weirder with your money.
- Ask God to help you develop a strong heart for Him and less of a heart devoted to money.
- Commit to God that you will strive to become a more cheerful giver in all areas of life.
- Thank God for the blessings He has given you as a result of being weird with your finances.