



HOPE ^{IN} CHRIST
CHURCH

Glorifying God by Knowing,
Living and Proclaiming
our Hope in Christ

Today's Message:

Money in the Bible

Luke 16:1-9

Pastor Scott Roberts

January 24, 2021

A Christian Reformed Church

Order of Worship

10,000 Reasons

Call to Worship: Psalm 84

*Psalm 62
Be Thou My Vision
O Great God*

Prayer of Confession

As The Deer

Congregational Prayer

Scripture: Luke 16:1-9

Message: Money in the Bible

My Worth is Not in What I Own

Benediction

Glory to God (Ere zij God)

WELCOME

Welcome to Hope in Christ Church. We are so glad you have joined us today!
May God bless you as you worship with us.

The offering this morning is for the General Fund.

Please place offerings in the basket by the sound booth.

PRAYERS

Each week we pray for members of our church family: Suggested prayers are for their spiritual growth, opportunities to see Christ in their everyday lives, and anything else that God puts on your mind for them. This week please pray

for: Len & Terry Don & Tena
 Ken & Elaine Joe & Barb

Pray for the Persecuted Church:

- Please pray persecuted believers would have access to a Bible.
- Pray they have the courage to remain in their homeland.
- Please pray for believers who have been rejected by family and friends. Pray that God would surround them with a new Christian "family" who loves them and supports them emotionally and physically.
- Pray for God to be an advocate for women who are socially vulnerable or have lost the custody of their children because of their faith.
- Please pray that God would provide persecuted believers with jobs and safe places to live.

MISSIONAL MARKER

The congregation of Hope in Christ Church has made the Spirit-filled decision to move forward and become a healthy missional church. This Week's Marker:

Culture of Godly Leadership (Hebrews 13:7)

- Our leaders at all levels serve with character, competence, and conviction.
- A spirit of collegiality pervades, with our people trusting our leaders and our leaders trusting our people.
- We continually identify and train godly leaders for all dimensions of our ministry.

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Sermon Outline

I. Steve and the Wine Trader

II. What is Money (1 Ki 10:21)

III. Money's first appearance in the Bible.

A. We encounter money very early in the Bible (Gen 2:1-12)

B. Leads to 2 things

1. Money is not intrinsically evil

a) The love of money is (1 Tim 6:10)

b) There are no bad things attributed to money and precious things

2. Monetary items (like gold, onyx, gemstones, perfumes, etc.) can be beautiful and can adorn people and things (Ex 35-39)

a) Purpose is beautify, win friends, and meet needs of others

IV. Money after the Fall into Sin

A. After Genesis 3 and the fall, our approach to money takes on a more mixed reality

1. But it isn't totally darkened

2. Money, wealth, and possessions are ascribed to many people in the Bible, some in great detail. (Gen 12:16, 13:2, 26:13-14, 36:6-7, 1Sam 9:1, 2Sam 19:32, 2Ki 4:8)

B. We find examples of People

1. Giving God part of their money in offering or in

vow (Gen 28:20-22)

2. Giving God part of their money, wealth to construct the tabernacle and temple (Ex 35:5-9)
3. Giving God part of their wealth to maintain the temple and priestly worship (Mk 12:41)
4. Giving gifts of wealth to others (Gen 25:6, Gen 32:13-21, Lk 12:33)
5. Wealth can be lent to help those in need (Ps 15:3-5)
 - a) Those who are part of the covenant family are to be given interest free loans (Ex 22:25, Lev 25:35-37)
 - b) But those outside the covenant family may be charged interest (Dt 23:19-20)
6. What this tells us is that money, wealth is a tool that can be used for good and benefit in both gospel ministry and in handling social needs like poverty.

C. good that we remember this because you can't take money with you across the great divide

1. It won't last (James 5:3)
2. It is perishable (1 Pt 1:18)
3. Can be destroyed in a moment (Rev 18:17, 19)

V. Positively, what should we do with this social technology we call money? (Lk 16:1-9)

VI. Don and The Banquet Dinner

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