# **Calling Jesus Lord: Finances**

In Matthew 7:21 Jesus said, "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven." To call Jesus Lord and do the will of the Father impacts everything we do and are, including our finances. Viewing and using money from God's perspective (stewardship) liberates us spiritually and also in a very practical manner. When we respond to God's grace with faithful stewardship, we find it:

## **Delivers Us from False Idols**

(Matthew 6:24, Psalm 50:7-15, Matthew 4:10)

# Safeguards Our Faith

(Matthew 13:22, 6:19-21, 1 Timothy 6:9-10)

### **Frees Us from Greed**

(Luke 12:13-21)

# **Protects Us from Distorting Our Responsibilities**

(Mark 7:9-13 family) (Mark 12:13-17 taxes)

## **Shields Us from Debt**

(Matthew 18:21-26, Proverbs 22:7)

# **Keeps Us from Selfishness**

(Matthew 18:27-30, Luke 12:32-34, Mark 12:41-44)

#### **Secures Our Contentment**

(Matthew 6:31-33, 1 Timothy 6:6-8, Philippians 4:11-13) (Matthew 6:31-33, 1 Timothy 6:6-8, Philippians 4:11-13)